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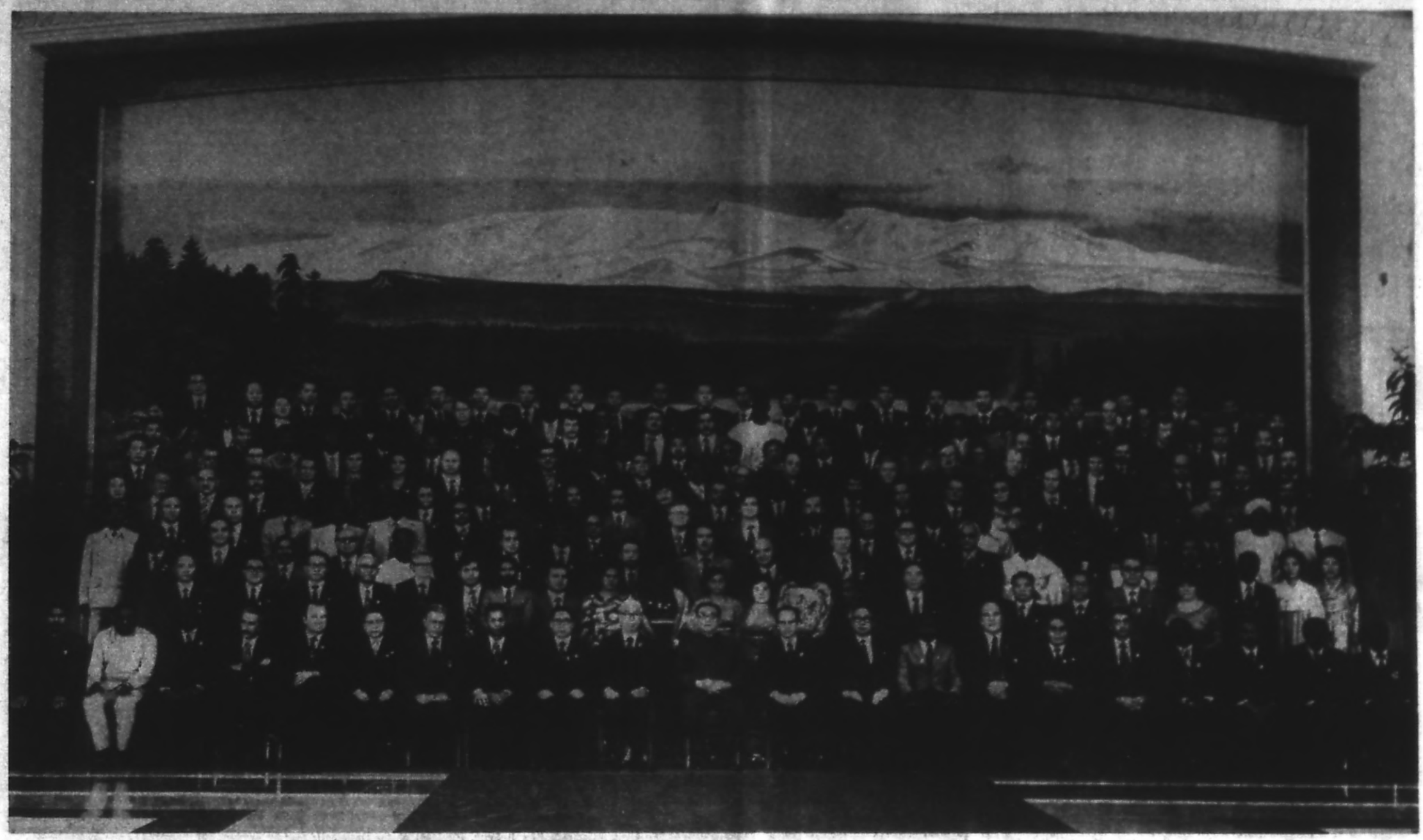

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung poses with delegates of many countries who have come to Korea to attend the ISJI after receiving them

The Great Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG

Receives Delegates from Different Countries to ISJI

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung on September 14 received delegates from different countries to the International Seminar on the Juche Idea.

Present on the occasion were: the government delegation of the Syrian Arab Republic headed by Dr. Shaker al Faham, Minister of Education of the Syrian Arab Republic; the Japanese delegation for the study of the Juche idea headed by Dr. Yasui Kaoru, Professor of Hosei University, Japan, and Chairman of the Japan-Korea Solidarity Committee of Social Scientists; Sossah Kounoutcho, General Director of the Scientific Research who is the government delegate of the Republic of Togo; the government delegation of the Democratic Republic of Madagascar headed by Remi Christian Richard, Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Revolutionary Vanguard of Madagascar and Foreign Minister of the Democratic Republic of Madagascar; the delegation of the Socialist Party of Costa Rica headed by Jose Francisco Aguilar Bulgarelli, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Socialist Party of Costa Rica; Genaro Carnero Checa, General Secretary of the Latin American Federation of Journalists; the delegation of the League of Communists of Yugoslavia headed by Balint Imre, Member of the Presidency of its Central Committee; the government delegation of the Republic of Mali headed by Soumare Moustapha, Minister of National Education of the Republic of Mali; the government delegation of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana headed by Elvin Mcdavid, Member of the Political Bureau, and Secretary, of the Central Committee of the People's National Congress of Guyana and Minister of State of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana; the government delegation of the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe headed by Celestino Rocha da Costa, Minister of National Education, Sports and Justice; the government delegation of the Republic of Uganda headed by, A.H.K. Jumba-Masagazi, Minister of Planning and Economic Development of the Republic of Uganda; the delegation of the Arab Socialist Baath Party of Iraq headed by Sabah Salman, Chief Editor of "Al Thoura", the organ of the Arab Socialist Baath Party; Joao Eva-Ngelista Hallonda, Secretary of the Revolutionary Council of the People's Republic of Angola; the delegation of the Malta Labour Party headed by Salvu Sant, its President; the delegation of the Spanish Communist Party headed by Armando Lopez Salinas, Member of the Executive Committee of its Central Committee; the delegation of the People's Republic of Bangladesh headed by Kazi Zafar Ahmed, Secretary General of the United People's Party of Bangladesh, President of the Workers' Federation of Bangladesh and Editor of the weekly "Nayajug"; the delegation of the Socialist Left Party of Norway headed by Steinar Stjerno, Member of the Executive Committee of its Central Committee; Clement Newman Ackon, Deputy Editor of Ghanaian paper "The People's Evening News" and Secretary-General of the Ghana Journalists Association; the delegation of the Gabonese Democratic Party headed by Mamadou Diop, Member of its Central Committee and General Director of the Gabonese Customs; the Gambian People's Progressive Party and Government delegation headed by Abdou Rahman Sallah, Chairman of the Gambian People's Progressive Party Youth Movement; Fernando Gamba Lopez, Chief of the "Group for the Study of the History of the Revolutionary Activities and the Works of Comrade Kim Il Sung" of Latin American students studying in Europe; Victor Motapanyane, Chief of the "Group for the Study of the Works of Comrade Kim Il Sung" of the African Students studying in Europe; Mahoma Mwaungulu, Chairman of the "Group for the Study of the Works of Comrade Kim Il Sung" in Europe; Nicandro Pereira Barreto, Director of the Ministry of Justice of Guinea-Bissau, Member of the Party Committee of Autonomous Sector of Bissau—responsible for Information and Propaganda, who is the government delegate of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau; Missam-Han, delegate of the National Union of Cameroonian Journalists and the Cameroonian Committee of Rural Development; the delegation of the Congolese Party of Labour headed by N'gassaki-Oya Norbert, First Councillor of the Department of External Relations of the Central Committee of the Congolese Party of Labour; the delegation of the Cyprus Socialist Party headed by Chrysanthos Savvides, its Special Secretary; the government delegation of the Federal Republic of Nigeria headed by A.O. Olusesi, Deputy Director of a Department of the Ministry of Information and Culture of the Federal Republic of Nigeria; Ian Donald Borrie, National Vice-Chairman of the New Zealand-DPRK Society; the delegation of the Denmark-DPRK Friendship Association headed by Arne Herlov Petersen, writer and journalist of Denmark; the delegation of the National Revolutionary Movement for Development and Government of Rwanda headed by Sinamenye Ildephonse, its Executive Advisor; Albert Rodesch, Lawyer of Luxemburg; the delegation of the "Lebanese Group for Studying Kimilsungism" in Lebanon headed by Chawki Ajami, Chairman of the Central Committee of the "Lebanese Group for Studying Kimilsungism" in Lebanon; Sami Kaaki, Vice-Head of the "Translation and Publication Committee of Comrade Kim Il Sung's Works" in Lebanon; Joe Vella, Editor of "Malta News"; Bhugaloo Heeralall; Director of the Port Louis High School of Mauritius; Frances Beal, Chairman of the "US-Juche Study Group" and General Manager of the US Newspaper "Guardian"; the delegation of the Party of National Unity and Progress of Burundi headed by Daniel Nyambariza, Member of the Political Bureau of its Central Committee and Professor of Bujumbura University; the party and government delegation of the People's Republic of Benin headed by Moussa Bajo Ali Traore, Ambassador of the PRB to the DPRK, who is member of the Central Committee of the Party of the People's Revolution of Benin; Prof. Jose Rafael Nunez Tenorio, Director of Philosophical Faculty of the Central University of Venezuela; Jorge E. Ruiz, Chairman of the Panamanian Journalists Union; Alberto Tauro, Professor of the Major National University of San Marcos-Lima, Peru; the government delegation of the Saharan Arab Democratic Republic headed by Ould Salek Mohumed Salem, Minister of Information of the Saharan Arab Democratic Republic; the delegation of the South West Africa People's Organization headed by Mwahafa Ndilula, Member of the Central Committee of the Youth League of the South West Africa People's Organization; the delegation of the Sudan Socialist Union headed by Dr. Omer-el Amin, Member, and Secretary for Development, of its Central Committee; Dario Ghisletta, Acting General Secretary of the Swiss Independent Socialist Party who is its delegate; the delegation of the Swiss Progressive Organizations headed by Beat Schneider, Member of its Political Bureau; the delegation of the Left Party Communist of Sweden headed by Jan Erik Roos, Member of its Central Committee; Manso Nbompa-turay, Member of the Central Committee of All People's Congress of Sierra Leone and the National President of the Youth Council, who is the delegate of All People's Congress; Daisy Bona-allen, Managing Editor of the Sierra Leonean newspaper "Flash" and Assistant Secretary-General of the Association of Sierra Leonean Journalists; the government delegation of the Republic of Senegal headed by Fall Mamadou, First Councillor of the Senegalese Embassy in Peking; Boubacar Camara, Dakar Municipal Councillor and poet of Senegal; the government delegation of the Republic of Seychelles headed by Jimmy Collet, Secretary of the General Union of Workers of Seychelles; Amin el Tahir el Shibli, Deputy Secretary-General of the Arab-Lawyers' Union, who is the delegate of the Union; Fadiel Abeyed, Director General of the Press Organization of the Arab Gulf Information; Abdul Wahab Samman, Official Report Adviser of Ruler Sharpah and Director of Radio "Dubai" of the United Arab Emirates; S.B. Lungu, Assistant Secretary General of the Organization of the African Trade Union Unity; Zulficar Kobeissi, Arab writer and journalist; Paiflah Alhamoud, Director and Editor-in-chief of the Jordanian weekly "Al Sahafi"; Giovanni Battista Bonelli, Deputy Procurator General of Milan, Italy; Giancarlo Elia Valori, Secretary General of Italian International relations Institute; Vishwanath, Chief Editor of the Indian paper "Indian Times" and his wife; Adly Barsoum, Deputy Editor-in-chief of the Egyptian newspaper "Al-Goumhouria"; the delegation of the Socialist Revolutionary Party of Ecuador headed by Manuel Agustin Aguirre, its Political Adviser; the delegation of the United National Front Political Organization of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen headed by Nagi Salem Brak, Member of its Central Committee; Ahmed Mohamed Haider, General Director of the Political Department of the Foreign Ministry of the Yemen Arab Republic, who is the government delegate of the Yemen Arab Republic; Fred Chita Mule, Business News Editor of Zambian "Daily Mail"; the delegation of the National United Workers' Party of Equatorial Guinea headed by Rondo Nc'o Ivasa, Member of its Central Committee; Aganaye Adoum, delegate of the Government of the Republic of Chad, who is Ambassador of the Republic of Chad to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea; Renato Araneda, Leader of the Central Committee of the Chilean Left-wing Revolutionary Movement and Deputy Chief of the External Committee of its Central Committee, who is the delegate of the Chilean Left-wing Revolutionary Movement; Mohammad Aslam Nagi, Chairman of the Lahore, Pakistan, "Committee for the Study of Kimilsungism"; Abdul Malik, General Secretary of the Karachi Committee of the Afro-Asian People's Solidarity Organization of Pakistan; the delegation of the Palestine Liberation Organization headed by Aboammar Saad, Member of the Palestinian National Council; Alfred Eibel, Chief of the "Group for the Study of the Works of President Kim Il Sung" in Paris and Editor of the "Alfred Eibel" Publishing House; the delegation of the Finnish Socialist Labour Party headed by Pentti Walzer, Vice-Chairman of its Central Committee; the Tanzanian Party and government delegation headed by D.N. Mwakawago, Principal of the Party Ideological College of the Revolutionary Party of Tanzania; the delegation of the Korea Information Committee of Holland headed by Ad Van Hout, Secretary General of the Committee; Jaap Van Ginneken, Dutch journalist; the delegation of the Communist Party of Greece (interior) headed by Voutsas Eheftherios, Member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Greece (interior); and George Pattas, Member of the International Relations Committee of the Panhellenic Socialist Movement (Pasok) and its delegate.

Also present were the members of the delegation of the Revolutionary Party for Reunification headed by Comrade O Su Il and the members of the delegation of the Korean scientists in Japan headed by Pak Yong Gon, Dean of a Faculty of the Korean University.

Present there were Comrades Kim Il, Pak Sung Chul, Kang Ryang Uk, Kim Dong Gyu, Kim Yong Nam, Ho Dam, Chong Jun Gi, Kim Hwan and Hwang Jang Yop.

The members of the delegation of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea were also present.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung warmly received the delegates, shaking hands with all of them.

The delegates, expressing deepest respect and reverence for the great leader, with great joy at meeting the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, the founder of the immortal Juche idea, offered their warm greetings to the great leader and reverentially wished the respected and beloved leader good health and a long life.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung posed for a photograph with the delegates.

INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON JUCHE IDEA OPENS IN PYONGYANG WITH LARGE ATTENDANCE

86 Delegations and Delegates from 70 Countries and 4 Intl. Organizations Attend

The International Seminar on the Juche Idea opened on September 14 at the People's Palace of Culture in Pyongyang with large attendance.

The seminar was convened in reflection of the unanimous desire of the world progressive people who are fighting vigorously for genuine independence and national prosperity with the uplifted banner of anti-imperialism and independence at a time when the trend of the times calling for all people living independently is sweeping the world.

The Pyongyang International Seminar was opened in accordance with the decision of the International Scientific Seminar on the Juche Idea held last year in Antananarivo, capital of the Democratic Republic of Madagascar. The seminar will exchange the valuable achievements scored in studying the Juche idea, a great revolutionary idea, reflecting the demand of our era for independence and the priceless experience accumulated in the struggle for independence, sovereignty and the building of a new society.

The current seminar was held after the convocation of six international seminars from the Middle East Seminar on the Creative Juche Idea of Comrade Kim Il Sung in Lebanon to the International Scientific Seminar on the Juche Idea held in Madagascar. It will serve as a new milestone in embodying the Juche idea better in the actual life, the idea whose validity and vitality has been proved in the revolutionary practice, and it will be greatly conducive to further inspiring the struggle of the people for independence, sovereignty and the building of a new society and strengthening their unity and cooperation.

The progressive people the world over now extend warm felicitations to the Pyongyang International Seminar and sincerely wish success to the Seminar.

Put up with due respect on the background of the platform of the meeting hall was a portrait of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, the founder of the immortal Juche idea.

Also seen there were an insignia symbolizing the International Seminar on the Juche Idea and the letters "International Seminar on the Juche Idea".

Attending the seminar are 86 delegations and delegates from 70 countries and 4 international organizations—the government delegation of the Syrian Arab Republic headed by Dr. Shaker al Faham, Minister of Education of the SAR; the Japanese delegation for the study of the Juche idea headed by Dr. Yasui Kaoru, Professor of Hosei University, Japan, and Chairman of the Japan-Korea Solidarity Committee of Social Scientists; Sossah Kounoutcho, General Director of the Scientific Research who is the government delegate of the Republic of Togo; the government delegation of the Democratic Republic of Madagascar led by Remi Christian Richard, Member of the Political Bureau of the CC of the Revolutionary Vanguard of Madagascar and Foreign Minister of the Democratic Republic of Madagascar; the delegation of the Socialist Party of Costa Rica headed by Jose Francisco Aguilar Bulgarelli, Chairman of the CC of the Socialist Party of Costa Rica; Genaro Carnero Checa, General Secretary of the Latin American Federation of Journalists; the delegation of the League of Communists of Yugoslavia headed by Balint Imre, Member of the Presidency of its Central Commit-

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Platform of the International Seminar on the Juche Idea which opened in Pyongyang with a large attendance

DPRK Gov't Gives Banquet in Honour of Foreign Delegates to ISJI

The Great Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG Attends

The Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea arranged a grand banquet in the Kumsusan Assembly Hall on the evening of September 14 in welcome of the delegates from various countries who attended the International Seminar on the Juche Idea.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung attended there.

The foreign delegates to the ISJI were invited.

Also present were Comrades Kim Il, Pak Sung Chul, Kang Ryang Uk, Kim Dong Gyu, Kim Yong Nam, Ho Dam, Chong Jun Gi, Kim Hwan, Kong Jin Tae, Ke Ung Tae and Hwang Jang Yop, the members of the delegation of our country to the ISJI and personages concerned.

The members of the delegation of the Revolutionary Party for Reunification in south Korea headed by Comrade O Su Il and those of the delegation of Korean scientists in Japan headed by Pak Yong Gon, faculty director of Korean University, were invited to the banquet.

When the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, together with the members of the ISJI Organizing Committee, entered the banquet hall to the strains of the welcome music, all the attendants rose to their feet and warmly welcomed him with thunderous applause.

The banquet opened when the band struck up the Patriotic Song.

Comrade Kim Il made a speech at the banquet.

He was followed by Dr. Shaker al Faham, Chairman of the ISJI Organizing Committee and Minister of Education of the Syrian Arab Republic.

The attendants drank toasts to the good health and long life of the great leader of our people Comrade Kim Il Sung, the founder of the Juche idea, and to friendship and solidarity of the world's people advocating independence.

The banquet proceeded in a warm atmosphere overflowing with the feelings of friendship.

There was a performance given by the artistes of Mansudae Art Troupe.

The Great Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG

Receives Message of Greetings from DRM President

A message of greetings came to the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, from Didier Ratsiraka, President of the Democratic Republic of Madagascar, in connection with the opening of the International Seminar on the Juche Idea in Pyongyang.

The message reads:

I have the honour of offering my most heartfelt felicitations to you in connection with the opening of the International Seminar on the Juche Idea in Pyongyang.

This Seminar is of great significance for the third world countries in view of its purpose.

I also sincerely wish that this Seminar for a new excellent idea which will help to solve the problems of progressive countries, in general, and particularly to realize the so desirous reunification of divided Korea will register signal results.

With high considerations.

The Line of Independence Is a Correct and Powerful Line Which Has Been Scientifically Proved and Testified in Practice

Speech by Comrade Kim Il

at Banquet

Respected delegates to the International Seminar on the Juche Idea,

Dear comrades and friends,

Today we have the honour of getting together with you delegates to the International Seminar on the Juche idea, in the presence of our people's great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, the founder of the Juche idea.

I have been entrusted in the name of the DPRK Government and the Korean people to reiterate their warm welcome to you delegates from various countries in Asia, Africa, North and South America, Europe and Oceania and delegates of international organizations, who came to our country to attend the ISJI.

Our people are cordially receiving you as intimate and true friends with whom they have been bound together by deep friendship amid the current of history towards independence against imperialism.

You comrades and friends are gathered here in our capital city Pyongyang, to attend the ISJI with the lofty desire to take the road to independence against imperialism, colonialism, racism and all manner of dominationist forces.

We are convinced that thanks to the joint efforts of you delegates, the current Seminar will successfully discuss the items on the agenda and bring its work to successful conclusion so as to meet the expectations and desires of the world's progressive people.

The line of independence is a correct and powerful line which has been scientifically proved and testified in practice; today it is bearing fine fruit, touching the heartstrings of hundreds of millions of people the world over.

The oppressed people who had long been historically ignored and regarded as the object of history, fought courageously for freedom, liberation and national independence, with the result that our time is turning into an era when imperialism is declining to fall and the condemned and humiliated people have emerged as masters in the arena of history.

However, as they slide deeper into the crisis of doom, the imperialists are making more desperate efforts to regain their old lost positions and cunningly manoeuvring to force political subjugation and economic inequality again on the liberated peoples.

The present situation urgently demands that the peoples in all continents, regions and countries on the globe to form united front, keep firmly maintain independence in all fields of politics, economy and culture and wage a powerful common struggle against imperialism and colonialism which are trying hard to trample upon the sovereignty and territorial integrity of other nations and to plunder their natural resources.

Only by stepping up the common struggle against imperialism and for independence, is it possible to defend the dignity of the nation, build a new rich and strong country, contribute to the development of world politics, economy and human culture and build a new world where all peoples will enjoy independence and equality.

You advocates and propagators of the Juche idea are assuming a great mission and role in the world-historic struggle for the emancipation of mankind.

We pay tribute to you who are devoting yourselves to the sacred ideological and theoretical activities for social justice and truth and sincerely wish you greater success in your fruitful work in the future.

You are delegates to the ISJI and, at the same time, distinguished guests of our people.

The Seminar is being held in Pyongyang, our capital, and progressive figures of many countries, who advocate the Juche idea, came to our country to attend the meeting. This is a great support and encouragement to our people who, under the wise leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, are striving for independence, sovereignty and socialist construction, upholding the banner of the Juche idea.

We are happy to show you, on this occasion, proud successes our people have made by brilliantly applying the Juche idea in all spheres of the revolution and construction.

We have brought about epoch-making changes in the northern half of the Republic by vigorously accelerating socialist construction. But owing to the "two Koreas" plot of the partitionists at home and abroad, we have been unable to reunify the country or establish national sovereignty throughout the country, though 32 years have passed since the division of the nation.

You have extended and are extending firm solidarity for the just cause of our people who are struggling to force US troops equipped with nuclear weapons to withdraw from south Korea and achieve the country's reunification independently free from outside interference.

We are very much moved by all this and express deep thanks to you.

We are very happy to have many intimate friends like you everywhere in the world.

We will continue to fight vigorously against imperialism and colonialism and for peace and democracy, national independence and the victory of the cause of socialism, in firm unity with the peoples of the socialist countries, peoples of the new-emerging countries, oppressed nations and all the progressive peoples of the world.

Availing myself of this place overflowing with friendship, may I propose a toast:

to the great victory of the Juche idea,

to friendship and solidarity among the world's people calling for independence,

to the success of the International Seminar on the Juche Idea,

to the good health and long life of our people's great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, the founder of the Juche idea,

to the health of Mr. Shaker al Faham, Chairman of the Organizing Committee, and other members of the committee and all the delegates who are working hard to make the Seminar a success, and

to the health of comrades and friends present here.

We Will Make Every Effort to Become Advocates of the Juche Idea, the Banner that Leads the People to Victory

Speech by Chairman Shaker al Faham

at Banquet

President Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved leader of the Korean people,

Your Excellency esteemed Mr. Kim Il,

Dear friends,

Allow me first, on behalf of all our delegations gathered in Pyongyang, the charming capital of the DPRK, to express our unbounded reverence and profound thanks to President Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved great leader, for giving this grand banquet in honour of us attendants of the International Seminar on the Juche Idea.

The highly inspiring speech made by His Excellency Kim Il deeply impressed us, and we are grateful to this.

Allow me to express, in the name of the delegates to the Seminar, warm thanks to the DPRK Government and the Korean people for having provided all conveniences to make the International Seminar on the Juche Idea a success.

Korean friends have accorded us warmest hospitality and shown great concern for us from the very moment of our arrival in this beautiful land of Korea. They have also offered us all conveniences for the preparations of the Seminar and even for our private affairs.

This Seminar was convened reflecting the trend of the times to learn the immortal Juche idea and take the road to independence.

The Juche idea founded by the great leader of the Korean people Comrade Kim Il Sung is the great guiding idea of our times lighting the correct road to national, social and human emancipation for the oppressed and humiliated peoples.

The oppressed peoples who had long suffered under imperialist and colonialist tyranny found a weapon for their struggle in this Juche idea and draw from it a firm conviction of victory, strength and courage in their endeavours to realize the sacred cause of national liberation, independence and prosperity.

Indeed, nothing can be greater than the world historic exploits performed by President Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved leader of the Korean people, in the history of struggle for human emancipation. Therefore, today the world's people who call for independence cannot repress their admiration at the invincible vitality of the Juche idea and highly praise President Kim Il Sung as the lodestar of human emancipation and the great leader of the oppressed peoples.

Now it has become the trend of the times to look up to President Kim Il Sung and study his teachings and works.

We advocates of the Juche idea from far-away Africa, North and South America, Europe, Oceania and Asia tirelessly travelled across continents and seas to Korea where President Kim Il Sung, our tender-hearted teacher and the founder of the creative Juche idea, is with infinite reverence for him and with an ardent desire to meet him even once and receive his teachings.

President Kim Il Sung whom all of us revere so was kind enough to meet us and give us precious teachings, to realize this desire of ours. Thus, the peoples fighting for independence have been deeply convinced of a hope-filled future.

We will make every effort to become advocates of the Juche idea, the guiding idea of the people of our times and the banner that leads them to victory.

We will do all we can to make the current Seminar a success to meet the aspirations of the world's people who advocate independence.

The Seminar is of especially great significance and is firmly guaranteed success because it is being held in Pyongyang where there is the respected and beloved leader President Kim Il Sung, the founder of the Juche idea, and in the DPRK, the cradleland of Juche where under his wise leadership the Juche idea has been splendidly applied in all spheres of the revolution and construction, bearing fine fruits.

The Seminar will, no doubt, mark a major turning-point in deeply studying and grasping the Juche idea, widely explaining and propagating it and efficiently applying its profound truth to practice.

The Seminar will imbue the consciousness of national independence into the minds of the people of our era when they are heading for independence and self-support, and will inspire them to new victories.

The meeting is attended by people from many countries who have the common idea of anti-imperialism and independence. This will also contribute greatly to strengthening the unity and cooperation among the world's people who call for independence.

Strengthening unity and cooperation among us constitutes an important guarantee for defending the national sovereignty and natural resources of each country and promoting the development of the economy and culture; it is an invincible strength to smash the imperialist and colonialist forces which are trying hard to win the developing countries over to their side and put them under their control.

In the future, too, we will firmly unite under the uplifted banner of the Juche idea and actively fight to build a new world where all peoples are made true masters of their destiny.

Availing ourselves of this opportunity, we assure you that we will continue to resolutely support and encourage the Korean people's just struggle to achieve the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

Lastly, permit me to propose a toast to the great victory of the Juche idea, an immortal guiding idea, to the good health and long life of the respected and beloved leader President Kim Il Sung, the founder of the Juche idea and benignant teacher of all of us, to the health of His Excellency esteemed Mr. Kim Il, to the health of all friends present here and to friendship and solidarity among the world's people advocating independence.

The Great Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG Receives Foreign Guests

Leading Members and Artistes of Central Philharmonic Society of China

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, together with his wife Comrade Kim Song Ae, on September 6 at the Mansudae Art Theatre, received the leading members and artistes of the Central Philharmonic Society of China on a friendship visit to our country.

Present on the occasion were Lu Chi, head, Li Teh-lun and Wang Pu-yun, deputy heads, and leading artistes, of the Central Philharmonic Society of China.

Comrades Pak Sung Chul and Ho Dam, and personages concerned Li Chang Son and Chang Chol were on hand.

Lu Chih-hsien, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the People's Republic of China to our country, and his wife were also present.

The great leader warmly congratulated the Chinese artistes on their successful performances in our country and had a conversation with the guests in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

Del. of Communist Party of Greece (Interior)

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung on September 8 received the delegation of the Communist Party of Greece (Interior) on a visit to our country.

Present on the occasion were the members of the delegation headed by Comrade Babis Drakopulos, Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Greece (Interior).

Also present were Comrade Kim Yong Nam and personage concerned Hyon Jun Guk.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung had a talk with the guests in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

After receiving them he posed for a photograph with them.

On the same day he gave a luncheon in their honour.

SAR Ambassador to DPRK

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung received on September 10 Yassir al Farra, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Syrian Arab Republic to our country, who paid him a farewell call before leaving for home at the recall of the home government.

Present there was Comrade Ho Dam, Vice-Premier of the Administration Council and Foreign Minister.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung had a talk with the ambassador in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

Del. of Spanish Communist Party

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung on September 12 received the delegation of the Spanish Communist Party visiting our country to attend the International Seminar on the Juche Idea.

Present on the occasion were the members of the delegation headed by Armando Lopez Salinas, Member of the Executive Committee of the Central Committee of the Spanish Communist Party.

Comrade Kim Yong Nam was on hand.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung had a conversation with the guests in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

After receiving them he posed for a photograph with them.

SAR Gov't Del.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung on September 12 received the government delegation of Syrian Arab Republic which came to our country to attend the International Seminar on the Juche Idea.

Present on the occasion were the members of the delegation headed by Dr. Shaker al Faham, Minister of Education of the Syrian Arab Republic, who is Chairman of the Organizing Committee of the International Seminar on the Juche Idea.

Comrade Chong Jun Gi was on hand.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung had a conversation with the guests in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

After receiving them he posed for a photograph with them.

PRC Posts and Telecommunications Del.

On September 13 the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung received the posts and telecommunications delegation of the People's Republic of China staying in our country.

Present at the reception were the members of the delegation led by Comrade Chung Fu-hsiang, Minister of Posts and Telecommunications of the PRC.

Present on the occasion were personages concerned Kim Yong Chae and Li Jong Mok.

Also on hand was Lu Chih-hsien, PRC Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to our country.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung conversed with the guests in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

After receiving the delegation, he had a photograph taken with them.

Gov't Del. of DRM

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung received on September 13 the government delegation of the Democratic Republic of Madagascar who came to our country for an official visit and, at the same time, to attend the International Seminar on the Juche Idea.

Present on the occasion were the head of the delegation Remi Christian Richard, Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Revolutionary Vanguard of Madagascar and Foreign Minister of the DRM, his wife and other members of the delegation.

On hand were Comrade Ho Dam and his wife.

Also present were Rakotofiringa Crescent Solohery, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the DRM to the DPRK, and his wife.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung had conversations with the guests in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

The head of the delegation courteously presented to the great leader a gift from His Excellency Didier Ratsiraka, President of the Democratic Republic of Madagascar.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung posed for a picture after receiving the delegation.

Del. of Malta Labour Party

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung on September 13 received the delegation of the Malta Labour Party on a visit to our country to attend the International Seminar on the Juche Idea.

Present on the occasion were members of the delegation led by Salvu Sant, President of the Malta Labour Party.

Also on hand were Comrade Chong Jun Gi and personage concerned Kim Gil Hyon.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung had a talk with the guests in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

After receiving them he posed for a photograph with them.

Warm Welcome to Pyongyang International Seminar Convened as a Reflection of Lofty Aspirations and Desire of Progressive Peoples In the Era of Independence

Congratulatory Speech by Comrade Pak Sung Chul,

Premier of Administration Council, at ISJI (Gist)

The current International Seminar on the Juche Idea has been called as a reflection of the lofty aspirations and unanimous desire of the progressive peoples of our times who are advancing vigorously under the banner of anti-imperialism and independence and fighting unyieldingly for genuine independence and national prosperity.

I warmly welcome the honourable foreign delegates who have come to attend this Seminar from Asia, Africa, Latin America, Oceania and Europe.

Ours is an era of independence.

Hundreds of millions of people in Asia, Africa and Latin America who long suffered under the imperialist, colonialist tyranny have emerged on the stage of history as masters and are shaping their destinies independently and creatively.

It is the main trend of our times no force can check that the peoples of the world demand independence and many countries take the road of independence.

This historic Seminar which reflects such main trend of our times and people's ardent aspirations for independence will mark an important turning-point in inspiring the people who have risen up in their struggle for independence, sovereignty and the building of a new society and demonstrating the invincible might of the people who are following the path of independence. The Seminar will also make a great contribution to further deepening the understanding among the progressive peoples of the world who are forging ahead under the banner of anti-imperialism and independence and to strengthening their solidarity and cooperation.

Our people always give active support and encouragement to the just struggle of the Asian, African and Latin-American peoples for independence against imperialism and to the struggle of all peoples of the world for defending independence, and constantly endeavour to strengthen the militant solidarity with them.

Having a correct guiding idea is a matter of key importance for the victory of the revolutionary struggle and construction work.

The Korean people had waged a sacred struggle for national and class liberation for a long time in the past. However, they had to experience bitter setbacks and turns and twists, and shed much blood in vain because they did not have an outstanding leader and the correct guiding idea.

A genuine history of the Korean revolution dates really from the time when the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung stood in the van of revolution, founded the immortal Juche idea and led our people wisely.

The Juche idea originated by the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung is the immutable guiding idea of our Party and the Government of the Republic and the invincible revolutionary banner that leads the revolution and construction to victory.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said:

"In the course of the independent struggle of our working class and toiling masses, the Juche idea became the compass guiding our revolution and the Korean communist movement, and today it is our Party's firm guiding ideology."

The Juche idea based on the philosophical principle that man is the master of all things and decides everything provides people with the most scientific and revolutionary world outlook by clarifying the position and role of man in the world. It also elucidates a revolutionary theory evolved with the working masses as the central factor and a revolutionary strategy and tactics based on their role and indicates the most convincing methodology of the revolution that makes it possible to successfully solve all problems arising in the revolution and construction.

Taking the Juche idea as the guiding compass, our people embodied it thoroughly in every stage of our revolutionary development and in all fields of the revolution and construction. As a result, they got rid of the centuries-old backwardness and poverty and made a great leap forward towards civilization and progress in a historically short span of time, and built up a rich and strong, dignified socialist power, independent, self-supporting and self-defensive, in this land where the sorrow of a ruined nation once reigned all over.

Guided by the Juche idea, our people have gained, in the course of their struggle to fully apply this great idea in all fields of the revolution and construction, priceless experiences which cannot be bartered for anything.

We keenly experienced that in order to lead the revolution and construction to victory, it is imperative to work out all lines and policies in view of the fundamental interests and requirements of the popular masses and the actual conditions of one's country and that only such Juche-oriented lines and policies can win the absolute support of the popular masses and display invincible vitality. Our experience shows that the correct reflection of the fundamental interests and requirements of the popular masses of one's country is a criterion for verifying the validity of all lines and policies and that any existing formula and experience should be assimilated on this basis and applied to suit the actual conditions of one's country.

These principles consistently underlie the lines and policies we have maintained—the Juche-based line and policy that carried the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle to a victorious conclusion, the line of establishing a democratic base and other lines and policies pursued in the building of a new society after liberation, the basic line of socialist economic construction, the line of building an independent national economy, the policy of socialist transformation of the production relations, the policy of occupying the ideological and material fortresses in the building of socialism and communism and the line of the three revolutions—ideological, technical and cultural—etc.

We have clearly realized that in order to bring the revolution and construction to a triumphant success, we must solve all problems, firmly believing in and relying on the strength of the popular masses.

Our experience tells that only when the working people rise up as one in the revolutionary struggle and the building of a new society with high consciousness as masters of the country and society and their revolutionary zeal and creative ingenuity are given full play, can they, indeed, display great energies, work marvellous miracles and capture any fortress with flying colours.

The Juche idea created in the thick of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle is a great guiding idea of our revolution whose correctness and truth have been proved through half-a-century-long revolutionary practice.

To retake the territory and people from the foreign imperialists and reunify the divided country is the greatest national aspiration of the entire Korean people and the most pressing immediate task for embodying the Juche idea in the Korean revolution.

Our Party and the Government of the Republic always hold fast to the standpoint of Juche in their struggle for national reunification.

The basic policy maintained all along by the Government of the Republic in the endeavours for national reunification is that the country's reunification should be achieved by the Korean people themselves independently on the democratic principles and by peaceful means, without any foreign interference. Following this basic policy and correctly reflecting the demand of the development of the situation in our country and the will of our nation, the Government of the Republic has put forward a number of the most reasonable proposals for national reunification acceptable to anyone, and exerted every sincere effort for their implementation.

However, the splittists at home and abroad are not only opposed to all the just and fair proposals of the Government of our Republic for national reunification but are also laying a graver obstacle in the way of our country's reunification.

In an attempt to perpetuate the division of the country and maintain their crumbling military fascist ruling system, the traitorous Pak Jung Hi clique are perpetrating, internally, frantic fascist suppression of the people and raising frenzied war clamours against the northern half of the Republic, while indulging in flunkeyist, treacherous acts externally.

It is well known to the world that the criminal "two Koreas" plot of the south Korean puppets and their war rackets and treacheries are being carried on with the active backing of the US imperialists and Japanese reactionaries.

The Carter Administration holds that it would withdraw the US troops from south Korea phase by phase over a period of 4-5 years and, even in that case, would leave its air force there.

This is as much as it would not withdraw the US troops from south Korea during the Carter's presidential term. The air force is also one of the military forces and so the remaining of the US air force in south Korea virtually means that it would not withdraw the US troops from south Korea totally.

The Carter regime is further increasing its military "aid" to south Korea and supporting the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique politically and economically.

Impudently meddling in the question of the withdrawal of the US troops, the Japanese reactionaries seek in every way to keep the US army stationed in south Korea indefinitely, and at the same time, tighten the "south Korea-Japan fusion" in pursuance of the aggressive policy of the US imperialists towards Korea, and continue instigating the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique to division.

The entire north and south Korean people, firmly united under the banner of national reunification, will completely smash the "two Koreas" plot and war policy of the splittists within and without and accomplish the cause of national reunification without fail.

The righteous struggle of our people for the independent, peaceful reunification of the country is enjoying the active support and encouragement of the world progressive peoples and the international solidarity with our revolution is being further strengthened.

Availing myself of this opportunity, I, on behalf of the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, render profound thanks to the peoples of the socialist and new-emerging countries and all the progressive people and friends the world over for their constant, active support and encouragement to our people in the struggle for the independent, peaceful reunification of the country, and express our firm conviction that they will as ever extend firm solidarity to the righteous struggle of our people.

Today the Juche idea is not only being brilliantly embodied in our country, but is also rousing positive support and sympathy of the peoples of the world as the days go by.

It is helpful for you, the delegates from many countries, to get together in one place like this and exchange the valuable successes made in studying the Juche idea and experiences gained in the struggle for independence, sovereignty and the building of a new society because you are fighting for the just cause of the peoples who pursue advanced ideas, love justice and truth and advocate independence.

I firmly believe that the International Seminar on the Juche Idea will attain the expected success in accordance with the aspirations and expectations of the progressive peoples of the world, with active participation of all the delegates and by their sincere joint efforts.

In conclusion, I express our hope and conviction that the current Seminar will contribute to the onward movement of the progressive peoples for independence.

The Great Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG

Receives Message of Greetings from the Organizing Committee of ISJI

Starting its work, the Organizing Committee of the International Seminar on the Juche Idea sent a message of greetings to the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

It reads as follows:

Setting out on its work, the Organizing Committee of the International Seminar on the Juche Idea has decided to send a message of greetings to the respected and beloved leader of the entire Korean people Marshal Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and extends its thanks to you and the Korean people for the hospitality accorded us in this beautiful city where we have the opportunity of seeing numerous examples that are correct embodiments of the Juche idea.

This inspires us to start our work optimistically with a firm conviction that we will make a very important contribution to studying and enriching the ideological system of Juche.

On behalf of the Organizing Committee, we extend our fraternal greetings and thanks to Comrade Kim Il Sung and express our greatest wish for your good health and long life.

Congratulatory Messages From Heads of State to ISJI

On the occasion of the International Seminar on the Juche Idea being held in Pyongyang congratulatory messages came from Didier Ratsiraka, President of the Democratic Republic of Madagascar, and Mohamed Siad Barre, General Secretary of the Somali Revolutionary Socialist Party and President of the Somali Democratic Republic, to the Organizing Committee of the ISJI and, from Hafez al-Assad, Secretary-General of the Arab Baath Socialist Party and President of the Syrian Arab Republic, to the Seminar.

In his congratulatory message Didier Ratsiraka said:

"At this moment when the International Seminar on the Juche Idea is being held in the capital of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea I have the privilege, as the Honorary Chairman of the Organizing Committee of the Seminar, to extend my friendly and fraternal greetings to delegates of many countries present at this important meeting.

"I congratulate the convocation of the Seminar in Pyongyang, the cradle of the immortal Juche idea, and I believe that you will acquire a wealth of experience at this Seminar and witness the great successes achieved by the Korean people, now the masters of their own destiny, under the wise leadership of the respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung, founder of the Juche idea."

The message pointed out that in view of its objectives the Seminar had a great bearing on the third world countries, and sincerely wished great success to the Seminar in a new useful work, generally, to solve problems arising in progressive nations and, specifically, to materialize the reunification of the two halves of Korea.

In his message Hafez al-Assad said:

"We are directing our concern to the discussion at the Seminar and positive documents to be adopted there, because the gathering is being held at the capital of a friendly country which is the homeland of Juche and where under the leadership of the respected leader President Kim Il Sung the people have completely translated the Juche idea into practice."

The message added that they in the Syrian Arab Republic were deeply convinced of the significance of the idea of relying on oneself and the necessity to disseminate this idea that is inspiring the developing countries and believed that this idea should be consolidated in order to intensify the cooperation and joint struggle of these countries and strengthen their position among countries of the world.

In his message Mohamed Siad Barre heartily wished the ISJI great success in its important work held on the occasion of President Kim Il Sung's birthday, and he said as follows:

"We reiterate our conviction that this Seminar will contribute greatly to realizing our common goal and ideal of attaining the lofty aim to bring about national independence and sovereignty and build a new society free from imperialism and colonialism, exploitation and oppression."

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tee; the government delegation of the Republic of Mali headed by Soummare Moustapha, Minister of National Education of the Republic of Mali; the government delegation of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana headed by Elvin Mcdavid, Member of the Political Bureau, and Secretary, of the Central Committee of the People's National Congress of Guyana and Minister of State of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana; the government delegation of the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe headed by Celestine Rocha Da Costa, Minister of National Education, Sports and Justice; the government delegation of the Republic of Uganda headed by A.H.K. Jumba-Massagazi, Minister of Planning and Economic Development of the Republic of Uganda; the delegation of the Arab Socialist Baath Party of Iraq headed by Sabah Salman, Chief Editor of "Al Thoura", organ of the Arab Socialist Baath Party; Joao Eva-Ngelista Hailonda, Secretary of the Revolutionary Council of the People's Republic of Angola; the delegation of the Malta Labour Party headed by Salvu Sant, its President; the delegation of the Spanish Communist Party led by Armando Lopez Salinas, Member of the Executive Committee of its Central Committee; the delegation of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, headed by Kazi Zafar Ahmed, Secretary General of the United People's Party of Bangladesh, President of the Workers' Federation of Bangladesh and Editor of the weekly "Nayajug"; the delegation of the Socialist Left Party of Norway headed by Steinar Stjerno, Member of the Executive Committee of its Central Committee; Clement Newman Ackon, Deputy Editor of Ghanaian paper "The People's Evening News" and Secretary-General of the Ghana Journalists Association; the delegation of the Gabonese Democratic Party headed by Mamadou Diop, Member of its Central Committee and General Director of the Gabonese Customs; the Gambian People's Progressive Party and government delegation led

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THE JUCHE IDEA IS A GREAT GUIDING IDEA LEADING THE PEOPLE OF OUR TIMES TO VICTORY

Report by Dr. Shaker al Faham, Chairman of ISJI Organizing Committee and SAR Minister of Education

Honourable delegates,
Dear friends,

This historic Pyongyang International Seminar is now open, at our ardent desire, and as a result of our joint efforts, at this important moment of history when many peoples on the globe are learning the Juche idea and vigorously advancing along the road of independence.

Six international seminars on the Juche idea have been held over the past years, starting with the Middle East Seminar on the Juche Idea in Lebanon to the one in Madagascar, to satisfy the unanimous desire and aspiration of the progressive figures and people who are eager to learn the Juche idea. In addition, many similar meetings have been held in different parts of the world and individual countries. In these gatherings we deepened our understanding of the Juche idea and shared valuable experience gained in applying this idea. The seminars were milestones showing success and progress in our activity.

It is of epoch-making significance in further advancing and developing our work that the current International Seminar on the Juche Idea is held in Pyongyang, the capital of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the glorious cradleland of Juche. I am convinced that this Seminar will open up a new stage in advancing our sacred cause of profound study and application of the Juche idea.

At this stirring moment when we are meeting in this highly important International Seminar in Pyongyang, everyone present here expresses his boundless reverence for and hearty thanks to the respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung, the great thinker and theoretician. Although we live in different continents and countries and work in different fields and conditions, we keenly feel the sameness of thought and faith, and our hearts are throbbing with a high sense of honour and pride in striving to learn and apply the truth of the Juche idea authored by the great President Kim Il Sung.

Availing myself of this significant opportunity, and expressing our unanimous feeling of reverence, I would like to extend greatest honour and thanks to the respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung, the genius of mankind, who by originating the immortal Juche idea has made a world historic contribution to the advancement of human thought and is encouraging the revolutionary people to a fruitful struggle for an independent and creative life.

Allow me also to express our hearty thanks to His Excellency Premier Pak Sung Chul of the Administration Council of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea for his highly inspiring congratulatory speech warmly welcoming our visit to Korea and wishing this Seminar success.

I would like to pay profound respect and offer deep gratitude to His Excellency President Didier Ratsiraka, the outstanding leader of the Malagasy people, and Honorary Chairman of the current International Seminar on the Juche Idea.

On behalf of the Organizing Committee of this Seminar, I warmly welcome and congratulate once again the delegates who have come here from various countries, on a noble mission to deepen their understanding and study of the Juche idea and learn from the experience gained by the Korean people in applying the Juche idea.

My profound gratitude also goes to the parties, governments and peoples of those countries which sent their delegations and delegates to the Pyongyang Seminar, and my deep respect to the peoples, revolutionary organizations and prominent figures of all countries that wish our Seminar

success.

The Organizing Committee of the International Seminar on the Juche Idea prepared the report summarizing our results made in the study of this idea and entrusted me to deliver it to the Seminar. I deemed it an honour and accepted it with great pleasure.

The Juche idea is an encyclopedic, revolutionary thought that has a rich ideological and theoretical asset, it is extremely profound and original. It crystalizes all the priceless historical experience gained in the revolutionary struggles of our times and in the building of a new society; it gives correct answers to all problems arising in the struggle of the peoples for sovereignty, independence and socialism.

Of course, the rich and extensive contents of the Juche idea cannot be fully dealt with in this limited report. It would take much time to dwell on the fundamentals of the Juche idea. In addition, because of our inadequate study and understanding of the Juche idea, the report will at best give a very rough outline of the Juche idea.

Therefore, I hope many delegates to this Seminar will introduce the achievements in their studies so as to explicate the problems raised in the report and make up for its shortcomings.

1. Ours Is an Era of Independence

I will begin my report on the Juche idea with the analysis of the character and specific features of our times because the Juche idea is a revolutionary idea which reflects the requirements of our times, a new era in history.

The respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung, the great thinker and theoretician and revolutionary genius, most scientifically defined the present era, on the basis of his brilliant insight into the main features and trends of our times.

The great President Kim Il Sung said:

"Ours is an age of independence. Today many peoples on the globe call for independence and are fighting against all types of subordination. No nation will tolerate others trampling upon its independence."

Ours is an age of independence, a new era in the development of world history. In other words, ours is an era when the world's people advocate independence and many countries take the road of independence; it is an era of the triumphant idea and ideal of Juche which came into being as a reflection of the main trend and requirements of the times.

When one observes the historical processes, the events taking place in our days and the main trend of our times one finds the major characteristics which are entirely new, unknown in the preceding period.

In the first place, the people, once oppressed and humiliated, are emerging as masters of their own destiny, as masters who dominate the world.

In the second place, the peoples who have become masters of the world, are shaping their own destiny independently and creatively.

Formerly the independence of the people was mercilessly trampled upon and oppression and subordination were predominant in relations between countries and peoples. For ages, the people were victimized by the arbitrariness and interests of a handful of oppressors; they were subjected and enslaved by great nations.

The people had no say in the arena of history and their destiny was decided by the ruling minorities. In other words, in the bygone days the people could not control their destiny and carve out history independently and creatively; they were a mere object of history.

In our times, the world has greatly changed, and there has been a fundamental turn in the arena of history.

Through the righteous struggles of the exploited and oppressed peoples for independence and against all forms of subjugation, many progressive changes unprecedented in history have been carried out throughout the world and historic events revolutionary and meaningful in character and content have taken place.

It is in our era that socialism emerged from the bounds of one country and has become a reality in many lands. As a result, hundreds of millions of oppressed and maltreated people in the world, have thrown off the yoke of exploitation and subjugation and become true masters of their own destiny.

The violent revolutionary storms against imperialism and colonialism have swept across the Asian, African and Latin-American continents which were hinterlands and colonial continents for imperialism. Hundreds of millions of people who were oppressed and humiliated for centuries have won national independence and embarked upon the road to independent development.

In the fierce flames of national-liberation struggles, new-emerging countries were born and have entered the arena of history as a great anti-imperialist revolutionary force of our times.

Today the new-emerging countries play an important role in the international arena as a motive power for the development of human history. Many of them are heading for socialism and fighting shoulder to shoulder with the peoples of socialist countries in their common cause. The old international order by which the forces of imperialism, colonialism and dominationism have long disposed of international issues unilaterally in their favour is being destroyed by the united strength and struggle of the new-emerging countries.

Now the struggles of the peoples for independence have expanded and developed on a global scale and the world's revolutionary forces rapidly grown, whereas the imperialist forces have decisively weakened.

Hard hit by the world's revolutionary people, the imperialists are declining quickly and because of sharp contradictions among themselves they are sliding ever deeper into a bottomless mire. The time has gone never to return when the imperialists could freely oppress and plunder the people and decide behind the scenes the destiny of hundreds of millions of people.

All this clearly shows that the world's people demand independence and many countries are taking the road to independence—the main trend of our times that no force on earth can hold in check.

Indeed, the people of the world have never had such a keen awareness of being masters of their own destiny, and such a strong desire and aspiration for independence, they have never played such a great role and exerted such a great revolutionary influence upon the development of history as they do in this era. This means that a new era has come.

The new historical era requires a new idea of revolution and construction which can serve as a correct guideline to the people in their struggle for independence. In other words, history has placed on the order of the day the task of evolving a new guiding idea for this era which reflects the people's vital desire for independence.

Our era demands, more than anything else, a new guiding idea capable of firmly convincing the popular masses, who have emerged on the arena of history as masters, that they are the masters of their own destiny, and showing them the correct path along which they should hew out their own destiny. Only the new guiding idea, which scientifically clarifies the position and role of man as the master of the world can powerfully encourage the people of our times to the revolutionary struggle for an independent and creative life.

Our era sets forth a task of establishing a revolutionary theory which attaches centrality to the popular masses on the basis of a new idea and formulating a revolutionary strategy and tactics based on the role of the popular masses. This is the inevitable requirement of a new revolutionary practice of this era when the position of the popular masses in the arena of history has fundamentally changed and their role increased as never before in the revolutionary transformation of society. Only the revolutionary theory which centres the popular masses and only the revolutionary strategy and tactics based on their role can give correct answers to all questions arising in the revolution and construction of our times and accelerate the process of revolutionary changes in the world.

Creating a new method of leadership capable of effectively enlisting the efforts and creative ingenuity of millions of working masses in the revolution and construction is another requirement of our era. The question on the method of leadership has acquired a special importance in our times when the scale of the revolutionary movement has grown wider than ever before and hundreds of millions of once oppressed and downtrodden people of the world are turning out in the revolutionary struggle for an independent and creative life.

Creating a new guiding idea, guiding theory and method of leadership was a pressing demand, and an important historical task, of our times.

Needless to say, such a demand itself does not produce the guiding idea indicating the direction of the times nor can such idea be created by anybody.

The revolutionary practice of our times eagerly awaited the appearance of a great leader, great thinker, capable of creating a new guiding idea to light the road to be followed by the people in their struggle for independence.

The respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung, the great thinker and theoretician, founded the immortal Juche idea in the flames of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle and thus brilliantly fulfilled this ardent desire of the times and progressive mankind.

By creating the Juche idea, the guiding idea of the revolution and construction in our times, the great President Kim Il Sung rendered distinguished service to mankind, which will shine for ever in history.

The world historic significance of the Juche idea lies in the fact that it has brought about a radical change in the development of human thought.

Humanity has several thousand years of history of thought. But for a long time the oppressed popular masses had not a correct ideological and theoretical weapon in the struggle to shape their own destiny by themselves.

The history of thought shows that numerous thinkers dealt with the destiny of the people and put their thoughts on record. But, most of thoughts in the ancient and middle ages and even in modern times, in fact, spoke of the interests of exploiting classes.

Of course, among them were ideological trends that played an affirmative role in history to a certain degree as they aspired after social progress. But they could not give a correct answer to the question of the people's destiny owing to the limitation of the times. In many cases, they proposed a rational reorganization of the exploiting system of their times or advocated the replacement of one exploiting class with another in dominating the masses.

Scientific theories on social reforms reflecting the desire of the oppressed people were advanced by the founders of the revolutionary ideas of the working class. They, basing themselves on the achievements of the progressive thoughts of mankind, criticized idealism and metaphysics and established dialectical materialism and evolved Utopian socialism to scientific socialism.

The Juche idea is the first in history to give, on the basis of the new philosophical principle, the popular masses a firm consciousness and faith that they are the masters of their own destiny and that they are capable of hewing out their own destiny, and to give correct answers to all questions arising in the struggle for an independent and creative life.

With the founding of the Juche idea, the people acquired a powerful ideological and theoretical weapon for achieving independence. The Juche idea opened a new phase in the struggle of the popular masses to shape their own destiny by themselves. It is dynamically propelling the forward movement in our times. It is a great idea, the correctness and indestructible vitality of which have been fully proved in all the practical struggles of the people in the present times waged under the banner of anti-imperialism and independence.

2. The Juche Idea Is the Guiding Idea of Our Times

The respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung founded the Juche idea and, on its basis, advanced Juche revolutionary theory and method of leadership so as to provide a great guiding idea which gives correct answers to all problems arising in the revolutionary struggle and the building of a new society and leads the people to victory in their worthwhile struggle for an independent and creative life.

Now, I shall dwell on the Juche idea, Juche theory of revolution and Juche method of leadership.

1) The Juche Idea

As taught by the respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung, the Juche idea, in a nutshell, means that the masters of the revolution and the work of construction are the masses of the people and that they are also the motive force of the revolution and the work of construction. In other words, one is responsible for one's own destiny and one has also the capacity for hewing out one's own destiny.

The masses of the people are the masters of the revolution and construction and they directly carry them out. The revolution and the work of construction are for the masses of the people and they are carried out by the masses of the people.

The purpose of the revolution and construction is to put the masses of the people in the position of the masters of the state and society and let them play the role of masters and lead an independent and creative life.

The Juche idea is a guiding idea which enables the popular masses to maintain their position as masters and play their part as such in the revolution and construction and indicates the most correct way for the popular masses to hew out their destiny by their own efforts with the awareness of being masters of their destiny.

The Juche idea stems from the philosophical principle that man is master of all things and that he decides everything.

The great President Kim Il Sung said:

"The Juche idea is based on a philosophical theory that man is master of everything and decides everything."

The philosophical principle that man is master of everything and decides everything elucidates the position and role of man in the world; it gives the most correct answer to the question of correlations between man and the world.

The philosophical principle of Juche defines the position of man in the world by explaining that man is master of all things. The concept of man as the master of all things means that man is the most developed being that subordinates and dominates the world as he needs.

The essential feature in man's relationship with the world is that man is not subordinated to the world but dominates it and holds the position of its master.

The whole course of the development of human history is a course in which the sphere of man's domination over nature and society has expanded and his position as the master of the world has steadily enhanced. It clearly testifies to the truth that man is master of everything.

Man is the master governing the world because man is an independent social being.

As the respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung said, independence is what keeps man alive, and if he loses independence in society, he cannot be called a man.

It is man's independence that identifies him as man; being man is unthinkable apart from his independence. For this reason, independence is what keeps man alive and constitutes his essential feature that defines all his other characteristics.

To sum up, man is the master of nature and society and dominates them because he has independence in his relation to the world that surrounds him.

The philosophical principle of Juche teaches that man is not only master of all things but also the decisive factor in everything. This gives an answer to what role man plays in the world. The proposition that man decides everything means that man is the most powerful being decisive in transforming and developing nature and society. The relationship between man and the world is characterized not only by his position as master of the world but also by the tremendous role of his creative activity in the transformation and development of the world.

The decisive role of man in transforming nature and society is explained by his inexhaustible creativity. Man reshapes the world purposefully through his creative activity, and with his creative ability increasing, he controls a wider part of the world.

Such are the chief meaning and are the substance of the philosophical principle that man is the master of all things and decides everything.

The question of man's relationship with the world and his position and role in the world, as propounded by the philosophical principle that man is the master of all things and decides everything, is fundamental to the establishment of one's world outlook.

Man can neither exist nor work outside the world. So it can be said that the question of man's destiny is defined by the relationship between man and the world. If it is to give a correct answer to the question of man's destiny, world outlook must clarify the relations between man and the world and his position and role in the world.

Man's being master of the world implies that he is the master of his own destiny. Since man is the most developed being that dominates nature and society, nothing else in the world can govern his destiny.

The proposition that man plays a decisive role in transforming nature and society and remakes them as he desires means that man is powerful and capable of hewing out his destiny by his own efforts. The destiny of man is determined by how much he transformed and controlled the world.

By scientifically explaining the position and role of man in the world, the philosophical principle that man is master of all things and decides everything gives the most correct answer to the question of man's destiny.

At the same time, the Juche idea helps people to establish a correct viewpoint toward the world.

The Juche idea requires, above all, that the world should be understood from the viewpoint of its master. The Juche idea views that the world is under man's mastership and that things and objects in nature and society are under his control.

The Juche idea also gives the most correct understanding of the change and development of the real world. It maintains that one should centre the creative activities of man in explaining the change and development of the world. The Juche idea understands that man changes the world as he wants and that his creative activities play a tremendous role in transforming and developing the world.

The discovery of the philosophical principle of Juche is a great historic event which is of immortal significance in the development of human thinking and in the cause of the people fighting for independence.

The philosophical principle of Juche created by the respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung is an original system of the most scientific and revolutionary outlook on the world that gives a correct answer to the question of man's destiny. As a result the progressive philosophy of mankind has entered a new stage of development.

As you know, from ancient times philosophy has directed deep attention to the question of correlations between man and the world. Some philosophers gave thought to the questions: What relationship has man with the world? What is man's position and role in the world? What decides man's destiny? What is the essence of man and what are his characteristics? They expressed various views.

Formerly, however, the question of relationship between man and the world and the question of man's position and role in the world were not considered fundamental to world outlook. Accordingly, no correct answer was given to the question of man's destiny.

By establishing for the first time in history the philosophical principle that man is the master of everything and decides everything, reflecting the requirements of our times, the era of independence, the Juche idea brought about a fundamental change in the basic principle, content and mission of world outlook, and gave a scientific solution to the question of relationship between man and the world and the most correct answer to the question of man's destiny.

The founding of the philosophical principle of Juche resulted in the establishment of a new viewpoint and attitude toward the world which attach centrality to man. It also clarified the most correct method with which the popular masses can successfully shape their own destiny.

Basing himself on the position and role of man as the master of the world, the great President Kim Il Song put forward the fundamental stand and method to be maintained in the revolution and construction.

The respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung taught:

"In other words, the independent stand is the fundamental stand which we must maintain in the revolution and construction, and the creative stand is the fundamental method that we must apply in transforming nature and society."

The Juche idea teaches us that as man holds the position of master in the world, he must adhere to the stand of master in his practical activities for reshaping nature and society and firmly defend his rights and interests as master. The independent stand directly emanates from one's awareness of being master of the world. It demands that one should discharge one's responsibility as master in transforming nature and society.

In order to defend their rights as masters and discharge their responsibility as such in remaking nature and society, the popular masses should discard the spirit of relying on others and use their own brains to solve all problems in their fundamental interests and should believe in their strength and solve their problems on their own responsibility under all circumstances.

The Juche idea tells that because man is the basic factor in deciding everything and plays the decisive role in transforming the world, success in the work of transforming nature and society depends on the degree of the creative role of the popular masses. The creative stand is derived from the tremendous role of man in the world. It demands that the creative role of the popular masses should be enhanced to the maximum in the activities for remaking nature and society.

In order to enhance to the maximum the creative role of the popular masses as masters in reforming nature and society, it is imperative to give full scope to their inexhaustible strength and wisdom and to bring them to work creatively to suit the objective reality and in accordance with the objective laws. This is the essence and demand of the creative stand as the fundamental method.

After all, we may say that the independent and creative stands are an expression of masters' attitude of the popular masses, the main factor in remaking nature and society, and that they enable the masses to perform their responsibility and role as masters.

The independent stand is the fundamental stand to be maintained in natural and social transformation in that it emanates from independence which keeps man alive and that it enables man to thoroughly embody and uphold independence. Adherence to independence is the only way for a master to defend his rights, discharge his responsibility and defend his fundamental interests.

The creative stand is the fundamental method for the transformation of nature and society in that it represents the most correct method of increasing the creative role of the people to the utmost. The success in the revolution and construction depends on how to give rein to the inexhaustible creativity of the popular masses who undertake the work.

Firm adherence to the independent and creative stands as fundamental stand and method is the only way to lead the revolution and construction to victory. This is the unshakable revolutionary conviction of the people who stand for independence. This is the great truth whose validity and vitality have been proved by the revolutionary practice of our times. What is important in understanding the Juche idea is to grasp correctly the guiding principle of embodying this idea in all fields of the revolution and construction.

The respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung taught that in order to embody successfully the Juche idea in the revolutionary practice, it is imperative to implement the principle of Juche in ideo-

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logy, independence in politics, self-support in the economy and self-defence in guarding the nation.

In order to make the masses of the people true masters of nature and society, Juche should, first of all, be established in ideology so that they may have the high consciousness and attitude as masters in the struggle to shape their destiny by themselves. This is the prerequisite to embodying the Juche idea in all fields of the struggle to remake nature and society and the fundamental requirement for preparing the masses of the people as the true masters of a new society.

Only by thoroughly establishing Juche in ideology, is it possible to ideologically emancipate the masses of the people from all sorts of obsolete ideologies including flunkeyism, national nihilism and dogmatism which corrode the spirit of national independence and the revolutionary spirit and to enable them to perform their responsibility and role with high consciousness as the masters in the revolution and construction.

Independence in politics is the first criterion of an independent and sovereign state. Independence in politics is the guiding principle that should be firmly maintained in the internal and external activities of a state for achieving political independence and defending the right to national self-determination.

In order to guarantee solid independence in politics, one must have a guiding theory and formulate all policies and lines according to one's own judgement in keeping with the interests of one's people and the specific conditions of one's country. The government which acts under foreign pressure or instructions cannot be called a genuinely independent government responsible for the destiny of its people. A country ruled by such a government cannot be regarded as an independent, sovereign state.

As the Juche idea shows, the principle of independence in politics demands complete equality and mutual respect among all nations. It categorically opposes both subjugating others and being subjugated by others. History proves the truth that a nation that subjugates others can never be free itself.

If they are to become masters of their destiny, the masses of the people should thoroughly adhere to the principle of self-support in the economy. Self-support in the economy is the material foundation for political independence. A nation economically dependent on others cannot be fully independent politically; it cannot be a genuinely independent, sovereign state.

So building an independent national economy by implementing the principle of self-support in the economy is a firm guarantee for ensuring the country's political independence materially and for providing the people with an independent and creative life.

Self-defence and self-protection are inherent nature of man. A country must also have the means to defend itself. Adherence to the line of self-defence to build up a self-defence power capable of defending one's sovereignty is the only guarantee for preserving revolutionary gains and national independence under the situation where imperialist aggressors still exist.

The immortal Juche idea created by the great President Kim Il Sung has translated into reality the centuries-old aspiration of the people to liquidate all sorts of exploitation and subordination which suppressed the independence and creativeness of the popular masses for thousands of years and to lead an independent and creative life, thus giving full play to the inexhaustible creative ingenuity and revolutionary enthusiasm of the people and indicating the most correct way for the popular masses to become true masters of their destiny. Herein lies the tremendous historical significance of the immortal Juche idea propounded by the great President Kim Il Sung.

2) The Revolutionary Theory Of Juche

The respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung, basing himself on the Juche idea, advanced a new scientific revolutionary theory, strategy and tactics.

The revolution is an arduous and creative undertaking calling for a scientific theory, strategy and tactics. As historical experience shows, only when they are guided by a scientific revolutionary theory, strategy and tactics in their action, can the popular masses have a clear understanding of the prospects of the developing revolution and its inevitable triumph, work with a high level of consciousness and activity, and take a straight road to victory avoiding unnecessary sacrifices and steering clear of submerged rocks on their way.

The Juche idea gives people a correct viewpoint and attitude towards the world, and the stand and method, which they should maintain to achieve their ultimate goal of becoming complete and eternal masters of nature and society; the revolutionary theory, strategy and tactics of Juche point to the law-governed route to this goal and the concrete ways and means to attain it.

The revolutionary theory, strategy and tactics of Juche are an amplification and application of the philosophical principles of Juche to the practical revolutionary struggle of people for independence.

They view and deal with all problems on the basis of the position and role of the working masses as masters in the revolution and construction.

The great President Kim Il Sung said:

"The Juche idea is a revolutionary theory evolved with the working masses as the central factor, and embraces a revolutionary strategy and tactics based on their role."

The essential characteristic of the Juche-oriented revolutionary theory is that it is evolved with the working masses as the central factor. This means that this theory explains and solves all the problems arising in the revolution and construction in such a way as to meet the requirements of the working masses, drawing mainly on their ability and activity.

As the great President Kim Il Sung said, all the revolutionary struggles aim, in a word, to attain freedom from either class or national subjugation; they are struggles of the popular masses to defend their independence.

The Juche-oriented revolutionary theory regards as a revolution the struggle of the popular masses to defend independence, to carve out their destiny. In other words, this theory views the process in which the working masses put forward their claim to an independent life and strive to attain it by their own efforts as the course of revolutionary progress and development.

The working masses have a vital interest in becoming complete and eternal masters of nature and society; this is their fundamental requirement. It may be said that their struggle to conquer nature and transform society is, in the final analysis, to satisfy this requirement.

It is the working masses themselves and none other that have the decisive force to meet their fundamental requirement. They have inexhaustible strength and wisdom to transform nature and society as they wish. It is the working masses who harness nature and create material wealth, and it is also they who overthrow old society and build a new one.

The Juche idea comprises the strategy and tactics based on the role of the working masses, along with the revolutionary theory evolved with the masses as the central factor.

The revolutionary theory indicates the law of revolutionary development and its general process, whereas the revolutionary strategy and tactics show, on that basis, the concrete conditions and means to win victory in the revolutionary struggle. The revolutionary strategy and tactics elucidate, namely, the specific policy of action for a victorious revolutionary struggle in each different stage of the revolutionary development and different historic circumstances. In this sense, we can say that the revolutionary strategy and tactics are specific applications of the revolutionary theory.

The essence of the Juche strategy and tactics, the elaboration of the Juche revolutionary theory, lies in the fact that they are based on the role of the working masses.

In short, the strategy and tactics based on the role of the working masses attach decisive significance to the role of the working masses, the principal factor in the revolution, and solve all problems by enhancing their role. The new strategy and tactics expound the specific ways and means to win the objective of the revolutionary struggle at each revolutionary stage on the basis of the role of the working masses who are the masters and motive force of the revolution.

The Juche revolutionary theory, strategy and tactics are founded on a new understanding of social development as explained by the Juche idea.

The Juche idea holds that all social movements including the revolutionary movement are those of people. There could be no social movement or social phenomenon apart from men and their activities. The law of social development functions through the conscious activity of people, and the process of social development is a process in which the popular masses put forward their claims and attain them by their own efforts.

The Juche idea maintains that the working masses develop society and history. This means that the theory on social development should be evolved with the working masses as the main factor rather than the material conditions of social life.

Needless to say, for the victory of the revolutionary struggle and progress of society, the objective conditions should be created. The purposeful struggle of the people to transform social relations in a revolutionary way and develop society presupposes a definite maturity of objective material conditions. If one did not consider this and desired the victory and progress, it would be a mere fancy; a revolutionary struggle waged in disregard of them would hardly avoid the error of subjectivism and adventurism.

However, this does not mean that objective conditions are the decisive factor which affects the fate of the revolution and construction. Objective conditions can be changed by man. The creative activity of the working masses can turn disadvantages into advantages in their revolutionary struggle and hasten the ripening of necessary conditions. In all circumstances, the decisive factor in social development is the working masses who are the motive force of historical development.

The history of social development is the history of the development of the popular masses' independence. It is a process in which the popular masses free themselves from the bondage of nature and from class and national subordination and ceaselessly increase and develop their independence.

The degree of independence demanded and attained by the popular masses is the index of social development.

The Juche idea explains the law-governed process of social development by regarding the working masses as the motive force of social movement and historical development, in the light of their desire and capability.

The working masses want an independent life and transform social relations as much as they can. Their desire for independence is not immutable; it constantly increases and so does their ability to attain it. So, when they attain their initial goal, they set a higher one and strive to get it. In this way they bring about the progressive development of society.

The Juche idea regards the subjective factor, not the objective factor, as fundamental to the revolutionary struggle and social development; it indicates that the popular masses, motive force of social movement and historical progress, play a decisive role. This is a unique, scientific viewpoint on social progress. This new view underlies the Juche revolutionary theory, strategy and tactics which solve all problems by counting mainly on the working masses.

The working masses are centred in all the revolutionary theories advanced by the great President Kim Il Sung and their role forms the basis of all his strategy and tactics.

We can see this, above all, in the theory, strategy and tactics of the anti-imperialist, anti-feudal democratic revolution put forward by the respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung.

His theory on the anti-imperialist, anti-feudal democratic revolution is derived from the revolutionary principle that the master of revolution in each country is its people and they are also the motive force of this revolution. It gives a fresh light on the law of the revolution in the colonial and semi-colonial countries and the way to carry it out. On a scientific analysis of the fundamental interests and essential demand of the peoples of the colonial and semi-colonial countries who stand for independence and of the internal revolutionary forces capable of achieving it, the theory defines that the revolution to be carried out in these countries is a new type of revolution to liberate the people from imperialist and feudal exploitation and oppression, pave the road to national independence and the democratic development of society and, furthermore, create necessary conditions for going over to socialism.

Along with the clear-cut definition of the nature of the revolution in these countries, the great President put forward scientific strategic and tactical policies based on the role of the popular masses. Those who must be overthrown in the anti-imperialist, anti-feudal democratic revolution are foreign imperialists and their stooges—landlords, comprador capitalists and reactionary bureaucrats. The motive power of this revolution consists of the workers, peasants and the rest of the broad sections of anti-imperialist, democratic forces—youth, students, intellectuals, petty bourgeoisie, conscientious non-comprador capitalists, religionists.

The main force of the anti-imperialist, anti-feudal democratic revolution consists of the workers and peasants in these countries who are vitally interested in this revolution and of the revolutionary working-class party rooted deep among them; the auxiliary force is all the rest of the people who are also interested in the revolution. In order to build up powerful internal revolutionary forces, it is necessary to strengthen the main force of the revolution and, on this basis, properly combine it with the auxiliary force.

For democratic socio-economic reforms to be carried out after the achievement of national independence in the colonial and semi-colonial countries, the respected and beloved President always advanced a scientific programme of struggle and strategic and tactical policies in keeping with the fundamental demand of the popular masses and their preparedness and saw to it that they were carried out on the strength of the popular masses.

His theory, strategy and tactics on the anti-imperialist, anti-feudal democratic revolution have provided the people of colonial and semi-colonial countries with a powerful ideological and theoretical weapon in the struggle for national independence and the building of a new society.

The great President Kim Il Sung's original theory on the socialist revolution is a shining example of a revolutionary theory evolved by centring the masses of the people.

As you know, the socialist transformation of the old production relations in town and country reflects the law of the development of the socialist revolution. It is the main task that must be carried out in the period of transition from capitalism to socialism. Here the cooperativization of the individual peasant economy is essential.

Formerly, modern technological equipment of agriculture was considered a decisive condition for its cooperativization. It was regarded as an immutable formula that agricultural cooperativization could be carried out only after industrialization.

The respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung evolved for the first time in history a unique theory that gives a fresh exposition of the conditions for agricultural cooperativization, a deep-going social reform, by attaching the centrality to the working masses.

The respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung said:

"The decisive condition for agricultural cooperativization lies not in whether agriculture is equipped with modern technology but in whether this step is a vital demand of the peasants themselves, whether the revolutionary forces are prepared to carry it out."

True, agricultural cooperativization needs certain objective material conditions. But they are not decisive. Whether or not the masses who as masters undertake social transformation are vitally interested in it, whether or not they really want it, whether or not there are forces to cope with it—these are decisive factors.

When agricultural cooperativization is raised as the vital demand of the peasants and the revolutionary forces are prepared to carry it out, agricultural cooperativization can and must be done without delay though the technical development of agriculture is at a low level. In fact, in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea socialist transformation of economic forms preceded definitively their technological reorganization in accordance with the mature demand of social development rather than postponing it until after industrialization.

The respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung's theory on capturing the ideological and material fortresses for the complete victory of socialism and his theory on carrying on the three revolutions—ideological, technical and cultural—are also solidly based on the working masses as the central factor.

In order to successfully build socialism it is important to correctly define its ultimate goal. Only when it is set correctly, the working masses can smoothly and vigorously advance along the straightest road to it, with a clear prospect and firm faith in victory.

This important question, however, had long remained unsolved. The question of the ultimate goal of socialist construction was given a scientific answer by the new theory on capturing the ideological and material fortresses.

The essential characteristics of socialist society lies not only in its developed productive forces but also in the high level of ideological awareness of the working masses, its masters, and their great ability to satisfy their fundamental demands. In order to build socialist society, therefore, efforts should be directed to creating the productive forces capable of providing the people with material wealth to ensure them an independent and creative life. And, at the same time, the people should be energetically led to acquire the ideological consciousness and ability to maintain their position and play part, as masters. Thus both the ideological and material fortresses should be captured.

The revolutionary theory of Juche holds that out of the two fortresses priority should be given and prime importance be attached to capturing the ideological fortress. This means that greater efforts should be directed to the work of improving the ideological and spiritual qualities and cultural and technical level of the working masses, the masters of socialist society, than to the work of capturing the material fortress and that only by so doing the work of capturing the material fortress be conducted with success.

As the respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung instructed, the ideological, technical and cultural revolutions should be vigorously carried out in order to capture the ideological and material fortresses.

The ideological revolution is aimed to revolutionize all the members of society to be socialist type of men; the technical revolution is a revolution to eliminate the essential difference in labour, free the working people from hard labour and cultivate their ability to play the role as masters in transforming nature; and the cultural revolution is one to raise the cultural level of all the members of society so that they can be fully developed men of socialist type.

The theory on the three revolutions, ideological, technical and cultural, is a theory indicating the right pathway of stepping up socialist construction in that it emphasizes developing the working masses into people with awareness of being masters in building socialism as well as increased ability, into independent and creative people capable of fulfilling their responsibility and role as masters.

The revolutionary theory of Juche not only clarifies the tasks for all revolutionary stages and the ways to carry them out but also gives comprehensive answers to the questions arising in all fields of the revolution and construction.

In this regard, I would like to confine myself to two questions, that is, the theory on the socialist rural question and the theory on the socialist education advanced by the respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung. Because they are of great significance in the building of a new society.

The respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung developed the celebrated theory on the socialist rural question and crystallized it into the theses on the socialist rural question to meet the pressing demand of the revolutionary practice in our times when the building of socialism is on the order of the day.

All the original theoretical propositions on the socialist rural question expounded in the theses proceed from the requirement for enhancing the position and role of the popular masses.

In view of the desire of the popular masses for an independent and creative life and the inexhaustible creative ingenuity of these masters of society, under the condition of socialism where all forms of exploitation and oppression had already been liquidated, the respected and beloved President thrashed out the essentials of the socialist rural question and the principles and ways for its solution.

The respected and beloved President's illustrious theory on the method of turning cooperative ownership into all-people ownership proposed in his theses on the socialist rural question and a number of other immortal works is another vivid example of clarifying the fundamentals to the final solution of the rural question by regarding the working masses as the central factor.

Converting cooperative ownership into ownership by the whole people is one of the fundamental questions arising in achieving the complete victory of socialism after the establishment of the socialist system. Only the correct solution of this question will successfully remove the differences between town and country and the class distinctions between the working class and the peasantry. Turning cooperative ownership into all-people ownership is an event of great significance like the land revolution for liquidating the feudal production relations in the countryside and the agricultural cooperativization for transforming the individual peasant economy along socialist lines.

The great President Kim Il Sung gave a new, clear answer to the successful solution of this important question.

The respected and beloved President explained that elevating the ideological level of the peasants and mechanizing agriculture to a high level are the two major tasks that must be carried out in order to turn cooperative ownership into all-people ownership.

To enhance the ideological level of the peasants is aimed to increase their awareness as the masters of all-people ownership; the purpose of highly mechanizing agriculture lies in laying the material foundation for turning the cooperative ownership into ownership by the whole people on the basis of increasing the capability of the peasants. This, in essence, is a theory that finds solution to the question of ownership by putting stress on improving the ideological and spiritual qualities and ability that the peasants must have as the masters of all-people ownership.

In order to turn cooperative ownership into all-people ownership, it is essential to prepare ideologically the peasants who will be masters of all-people ownership so that they may devotedly participate in the communal economy with a keen awareness and attitude of masters. In other words, priority should be given to elevating the peasants' ideological level in keeping with their new social position.

The respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung points out that the selfish ideas persisting in the minds of the peasants are obstacles to their ideological preparation. So long as there remains selfishness in the minds of the peasants it is impossible to set up all-people ownership which requires the peasants to have the attitude of masters towards the communal economy and collectivise ideology. If the cooperative economy is turned into ownership by the whole people before remoulding the ideology of the peasants, it will seriously hamper the development of agricultural production and the communal economy.

Therefore, it is the first and foremost task to uproot selfishness from the minds of the peasants and remould their ideology through intensified ideological revolution in turning cooperative ownership into ownership by the whole people.

Giving priority to enhancing the peasants' ideological level—precisely herein lies the originality of the new theory which places the working masses at the centre in solving the question of ownership.

Conversion of cooperative ownership to ownership by the whole people also requires adequate material conditions that should be brought about by highly mechanizing agricultural production. The success in this work depends after all on how to elevate the peasants' technical and cultural level. This bespeaks that the task of laying the material foundation for turning cooperative ownership into all-people ownership can be successfully fulfilled only when precedence is given to raising the qualification and ability of the peasants who undertake the task.

The great President Kim Il Sung's educational theory is one more brilliant example of solving all problems of revolution and construction mainly by elevating the position and role of the popular masses.

We were deeply moved and excited at the news of the "Theses on Socialist Education" published by the respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung on the eve of our current visit to the DPRK.

This Theses is an immortal classic work greatly contributing to the development of the human educational thoughts, a historic document which brightly lights the road ahead of education in our times and a great educational programme giving the correct compass to the peoples in their struggle for the building of a new society and for the building of socialism.

Remarkable of the Theses on Socialist Education is that it fully explains the position and role of education in capturing the ideological and material fortresses, particularly the ideological fortress.

Preferentially educating and remoulding the popular masses, the masters who carry out the revolution and construction, to be powerful beings and directing main effort to the capture of the ideological fortress—this is the requirement of the Juche idea that puts men in the centre of all consideration and solves all problems mainly on the strength of the popular masses.

Meeting this requirement in his Theses, the respected and beloved President newly defined the important position of the educational work in capturing the ideological fortress.

Education is an important work on which depends the success in capturing the ideological fortress. Effective education is the only way to train qualified successors to the revolution and seize both the ideological and material fortresses with success.

The Theses gives perfect answers to all problems arising in socialist education from the basic principle of socialist pedagogy to the content and method of socialist education and from the system of socialist education to the guidance of educational work; it consummates the Juche-based educational thought and theory and sums up in an all-round way the successes and experience gained by the Korean people in educational work.

Socialist education is an undertaking to train people to be independent and creative social beings; it aims to train them to be revolutionaries with independence and creative ability.

Proceeding from this essence and aim of socialist education, the Theses explicates that the basic principle of socialist pedagogy consists in equipping them with the revolutionary idea and, on this basis, guiding them to acquire profound scientific knowledge and strong physique.

Revolutionary idea, deep knowledge and strong physique are qualities and qualifications essential to the men of socialist type. Only when they are armed with the socialist ideology and, on this basis, have profound knowledge and strong physique, can they become true revolutionary workers and participate in the revolution and construction with the attitude of masters.

Socialist education for training fully developed independent and creative people should put emphasis on ideological education, and at the same time, push ahead with mental and physical education as an integral process.

Proceeding from this basic principle of socialist pedagogy, the Theses defines it as an invariable principle of socialist education that the party spirit and working-class spirit should be embodied, and Juche established in education, and education combined with revolutionary practice, and that the state should assume responsibility for the organization and conduct of educational work.

The Theses gives a fresh, comprehensive definition of the content and method of socialist education.

The Theses stresses that the content of socialist education should be such as to revolutionize and working-classize people and train them into comprehensively developed people with profound knowledge, sound moral qualities and strong physique, and that it must be permeated with revolutionary spirit and scientific accuracy and actuality.

Socialist education demands that a new educational method should be established to serve its purpose and mission.

The Theses formulates the principal methods of socialist education, that is, heuristic teaching, combining theoretical education with practical training and education with productive labour, the strengthening of organized lives and socio-political activities, combination of school and social education and simultaneous conduct of preschool, school and adult education. This is an original method of education; it gives the possibility to equip people with working knowledge, train them organizationally, rationally dovetail the educational processes on a scientific calculation of their sequence, bring all the people to be interested in education and encourage the whole society to work for education.

The Theses shows the prototype of advanced educational system suited to the intrinsic nature of socialist society and lays down in a comprehensive way the basic principles to be observed in the guidance of educational work.

Indeed, the "Theses on Socialist Education" recently published by the great President Kim Il Sung consummates the socialist pedagogy. It gives a correct guideline to success in humanity's striving on the untrodden path of socialist education.

The great significance of the Theses lies in the fact that it indicates the straight road to success in remoulding people, the most difficult and complex task in the building of socialism, and in dynamically pushing forward the revolution and construction by giving precedence to the remoulding of man.

It also deals a blow at the bourgeois viewpoint which regards education merely as a technical, practical undertaking aimed to teach knowledge and technique and at the opportunist viewpoint which denies the class character of education. It greatly contributes to enriching the treasure-house of educational thoughts of mankind with priceless ideological and theoretical wealth.

The respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung's Theses gives a comprehensive answer to the important problems related to the position of education in the revolution and construction, attitude towards education, and the way to conduct education. In this way it powerfully inspires the peoples of the new-emerging countries who are building a new society after freeing themselves from the imperialist yoke to the struggle to quickly shake off the backwardness in education left over from the old society and achieve social progress and national prosperity.

Indeed, the revolutionary theory, strategy and tactics of Juche is the encyclopedia of our times which gives comprehensive scientific answers to all problems arising in national and class emancipation and in the building of socialism and in all fields of the revolution and construction.

The great President Kim Il Sung's revolutionary theory, strategy and tactics of Juche is the militant banner which inspires to struggle and victory the progressive people of the world aspiring after independence and self-support.

The revolutionary theory, strategy and tactics of Juche shows the true way for the people heading for independence to shape their destiny independently and creatively and provides them with the most powerful weapon for transforming society and nature.

The peoples in the Asian, African and Latin American countries which were once backward have now awakened in our era and are taking the lead in making revolution, and the revolutionary storms are sweeping across the former colonial continents, with an irresistible force.

The peoples who have got rid of the imperialist yoke and seized their destiny in their own hands refuse to see the recurrence of their past sufferings forced by capitalism and are confidently advancing along the road of progressive democracy towards socialism.

This clearly shows that only the revolutionary theory regarding the popular masses as the central factor and the strategy and tactics based on their role can give correct answers to all the problems arising in the revolution and construction in our times.

Only victory and glory are in store for the revolutionary peoples advancing along the road indicated by the revolutionary theory of Juche and their strug-

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gle is sure to win victory. This is an irrefutable conclusion derived from the historical experience gained in the revolutionary struggle in our times.

3) Juche Method Of Leadership

The respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung not only advanced scientific revolutionary theory on the Juche idea but also created the leadership method of Juche for efficiently organizing and mobilizing the popular masses in the revolution and construction.

Establishing a correct leadership method is a fundamental question that must be solved for success in the revolution and construction.

The revolution and construction will not be successful without the correct method of leading the masses, even if a scientific revolutionary theory, strategy and tactics are established.

The transformation of nature and society requires a method to correctly mobilize both the popular masses, the subjective factor, and the material and technical means, the objective factor. Of the two factors, however, the popular masses, the subjective factor, always play the decisive role.

Therefore, in order to successfully transform nature and society it is necessary to acquire the revolutionary method of leadership for an efficient organization and mobilization of the masses, the subjective factor. History shows instances of bitter lessons in which the masses of the people were unable to turn out in a sacred struggle against an outworn system, or if they did, they suffered defeat and many sacrifices because there was no correct method of leadership.

Never has it been so urgent to establish a correct method of leadership as in our era, the era of independence. Never before have so many people joined the revolutionary movement as in our times. Hundreds of millions of the Asian, African and Latin-American peoples oppressed and humiliated for centuries have now risen in the struggle for independence. And many peoples are now confronted with difficult historic tasks of achieving national and class emancipation, independence, and self-support.

Under the situation, unless a correct method of leadership is acquired, it will be impossible to unite the broad masses as a powerful political force, channel their mounting revolutionary enthusiasm into the attainment of the common goal, successfully fulfil the heavy tasks of winning national independence and building a new society.

With a clear insight into the pressing requirement of our times and drawing on the experiences of the previous historical movements, the respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung advanced the most scientific revolutionary method of leadership, and thus performed another immortal, great exploit in the development of revolutionary ideas and revolutionary movement of mankind. The creation of a new method of leadership has provided a powerful weapon for leading the masses to shape their own destiny as masters and firmly guaranteeing victory in their struggle.

Only by maintaining the independent and creative stands, deeply conscious of their being masters can the popular masses successfully solve all the problems arising in transforming nature and society with their own efforts and win the revolutionary cause at the earliest date. The principle that the popular masses should keep independent and creative stands in the struggle to transform nature and society is the fundamental principle that must always be maintained in giving leadership to the masses.

If they are to keep independent and creative stands with an attitude of masters in the struggle to transform nature and society, the masses must be under correct leadership.

The proposition that the masses are masters and a decisive factor in the struggle to remake nature and society does not mean that they automatically acquire the attitude of masters and discharge their duty and role as masters. Spontaneity can never give them the awareness of the mastership nor bring them to perform their role and duty as such. Hence, the vital necessity to awaken the masses and organize and mobilize them in the struggle for natural and social transformation.

The leadership to the popular masses is given by their leader and his revolutionary party. The party is the vanguard organized with fine advanced elements and the political staff in the struggle to transform nature and society. So the party alone can be the guiding and leading force of the popular masses.

The party is organized and led by its leader. Apart from the leader's guidance, the party cannot perform its militant function and leading role. This means that party's leadership is, in essence, one given by its leader. The party is a guiding and leading force for the masses of the people; and the leader is the heart and supreme brain of the party.

Only under the guidance of the leader can the masses of the people realize their historic mission, become organized and hew out their own destiny independently and creatively. In this way they can be true masters who develop history.

In addition to the need for the leader and his party to give leadership to the popular masses, the Juche leadership method explicates the fundamental principle of mass leadership.

The mass line formulated by the respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung shows the fundamental principle to be maintained in giving leadership to the masses.

The respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung said:

"...mass line is to zealously guard the interests of the working masses, unite them around the Party by educating and remoulding them, and carry out its revolutionary tasks believing in their strength and activizing them."

The mass line enables the party to keep close ties with the masses, build up firm internal forces and give full play to the inexhaustible wisdom and strength of the masses so that they can successfully carry out any difficult and complicated tasks. The mass line is the revolutionary principle of leadership enabling the masses to play the role of masters in the struggle to transform nature and society; it is a powerful weapon for leading the masses.

A major task that follows the establishment of the correct method of party leadership to the masses is to get those leading personnel who directly organize and guide the execution of the lines and policies to acquire proper method and style of work. The party leads the masses through these functionaries. Correct implementation of the lines and policies, therefore, depends entirely on the work method and style of functionaries executing them.

In view of the great significance of the method and style of work, the respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung made himself the paragon of the revolutionary method and popular style of work that all functionaries must follow.

The well-known Chongsan-ri method is an original work method: the respected and beloved President created the revolutionary method of work in the thick of the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle by embodying the immortal Juche idea and developed and enriched the traditional method during his on-the-spot guidance, travelling thousands of miles, and applied it to the new realities of socialist construction

As the respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung said, the essence of the Chongsan-ri method is that the higher body helps the lower, and the superior assists those under him and always goes down to the work places in order to have a good grasp of actual conditions and find correct solutions to problems, gives priority to political work in all undertakings and enlists the voluntary enthusiasm and initiative of the masses so as to ensure the fulfilment of revolutionary tasks.

The Chongsan-ri method is a most effective method of work enabling the functionaries to rapidly improve their leadership qualities and successfully solve all problems drawing on the strength and wisdom of the masses; it is also a most revolutionary work method of carrying out the revolutionary tasks with credit through preferential political work in all activities and full display of voluntary enthusiasm and creative initiative on the part of the masses.

The work method is inseparable from the style of work. The revolutionary work method can be effective only when it is combined with the popular style of work.

The respected and beloved President set a valuable example of the popular style of work the functionaries should possess, and fully explained its main features. The popular work style consists mainly of the revolutionary attitude expressed in boundless loyalty to the cause of people's freedom and happiness, an indomitable spirit and ability to push forward the revolution in any adversity, and of the popular character of being modest and simple, and setting personal examples always at the head of the people.

The popular style of work is a work style which brings leadership close to the masses, strengthens the political and ideological unity of society and encourages people to do all work consciously with the stand and attitude of masters; it is typical of the noble spiritual and moral traits that the faithful servants of the people should possess.

The Juche method of leadership is a powerful weapon for the revolution and construction as well as a correct guideline. It gives perfect solutions to all problems of revolutionary and scientific leadership to the popular masses.

The great President Kim Il Sung's leadership method of Juche is of great practical significance not only in socialist construction but also in the struggle for national liberation and independence and in the building of a new society in the new-emerging countries.

A correct leadership method is urgently required especially because of the arduous conditions in which the peoples in colonies and dependent countries are struggling.

The victory in the arduous national-liberation struggle to defeat the strong forces of imperialist aggression and the vicious and cunning manoeuvres of the old and neo-colonialists depends entirely on how the popular masses are awakened, and rallied, organized and mobilized. Therefore, a correct method of leadership is badly needed for organizing and mobilizing the broad sections of popular masses in the revolutionary struggle to achieve national liberation and independence. In this regard, the historical experience gained by the Korean people in the revolutionary struggle is valuable to us. The Korean people owe their victory in the glorious anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle against the formidable Japanese imperialist aggressors to the great President Kim Il Sung. He created the leadership method of Juche and thoroughly applied it in the revolutionary practice and thus formed kindred ties between the anti-Japanese guerrillas and people and organized and mobilized the broad masses for the revolutionary struggle.

A correct leadership method is also indispensable to the new-emerging countries which have started building a new society. Under the circumstances where the imperialists are bent on subversive acts and sabotages, the difficult and complex tasks of consolidating their independence and quickly eliminating the economic and cultural backwardness, the hangover of old society, can be successfully carried out only when a correct leadership method is established to awaken and rally the popular masses and organize and mobilize them for the revolution and construction.

The Juche method of leadership is the most scientific and revolutionary method of leadership; it encourages people to dedicate themselves to the revolution and construction with the awareness of being masters of their own destiny, and makes it possible to closely unite them always placing the interests of the masses above all else and powerfully organize and mobilize the masses for the revolution and construction giving priority to political work.

Indeed, it is a powerful weapon for the revolution and construction. It finds in the masses the key to the solution of all questions arising in the revolution and construction. It shows the way to carry out all tasks, revolutionary or economic, by awakening the masses and organizing and mobilizing them.

Adherence to this method and its full application will give free rein to the revolutionary zeal and creative initiative of the masses and their inexhaustible strength and wisdom, give the possibility to cope with any difficult and complex tasks arising in the revolutionary struggle and the building of a new society and seize any fortresses.

3. The World Progressive People Vigorously Advance, United under the Banner Of Independence

Half a century replete with significant events has passed since the respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung authored the Juche idea. The world's revolutionary struggles in this historical period and the brilliant victories won by the progressive people in the struggles have fully proved the correctness and invincible vitality of the Juche idea.

The great changes brought about in Korea, a model of socialism, and all the miraculous successes achieved by her people in the revolution and construction are the brilliant fruition of the Juche idea and a living and convincing proof of its might. Today the Juche idea is spreading across longitude and latitude, gripping the hearts of the people in different parts of the world with strong magnetism and influence. For its greatness and validity, the Juche idea is accepted as a powerful weapon for hastening the process of transforming the world in accordance with the demand of the people for independence; it has become the irresistible trend of the times to learn this idea.

The Juche idea exerts a great revolutionary influence upon the national-liberation struggles of the peoples in the colonial and dependent countries to throw off the cursed chains of colonialism and attain sovereignty and independence.

Today the peoples in the colonial and dependent countries find their road in the Juche idea and its ideal of independence and draw strength, courage and conviction of victory from them. The Juche idea is the revolutionary banner that encourages the once oppressed and maltreated peoples in these countries to the proud struggle for sovereignty and independence.

In this era, as you know, hundreds of millions of people in Asia, Africa and Latin America have bravely turned out in decisive revolutionary battles against imperialism and colonialism and are struggling to win their liberation and carve out their destiny by themselves. These regions, formerly regarded as the rear of imperialism, have now become the most fierce battle fronts to wipe out imperialism and colonialism.

The raging struggle of the peoples to hew out their destiny by their own efforts has dealt heavy blows at the colonial system of imperialism first in Asia. The 20th century found the fiercest national liberation movements in Asia—the theatre of political struggle involving the whole world.

The current of the times heading for independence and liberation in opposition to subjugation has swept the African continent as well. The colonial system of imperialism in Africa is finally collapsing and breathing its last.

The revolutionary storms of the national-liberation struggle against imperialism and colonialism have shaken Latin America which was a "quiet backyard" for the US imperialists for a long time. Thus the US imperialists' system of domination is crumbling in many countries.

All this shows that no force can check the struggle of the peoples to defend their independence and the trend of our times towards independence.

The great vitality of the Juche idea is being demonstrated also in the struggle of the peoples in the new-emerging countries who have achieved national independence and are building a new society.

In the fierce national-liberation struggles has grown a great world force, a huge community of new-emerging countries, whose like is never known in human history. This has greatly changed the political map of the world.

The peoples of the new-emerging countries are now confronted with an urgent epochal task of shaking off their centuries-old backwardness and poverty imposed upon them by imperialism and of achieving independence and self-support. They find the key to successful fulfilment of this momentous task in the Juche idea and its principles of independence and self-support.

The Juche idea teaches these peoples the precious truth of revolution that they can conquer any fortresses if they strive to create a new life as masters of their own destiny and with a firm faith in their own strength; it powerfully encourages them to the historic struggle for independence and self-support. The principles of independence and self-support are being splendidly applied to their building of a new society, bearing fine fruits.

The struggles of the new-emerging people for independence and self-support are making a great contribution to the development of the cause of anti-imperialism and independence of the progressive humanity. Because of these struggles the imperialists have become unable to lord it over the international political arena and find it difficult to get adequate raw materials and fuel in the international market to meet the demand of their aggressive and predatory economic system. These struggles constitute an important factor aggravating the political and economic crisis of modern imperialism.

The imperialist, neo-colonialist and dominationist forces are now scrambling all over the world for control and domination over new-emerging countries and trying to split and disintegrate the non-alignment movement and the other revolutionary forces in the world.

Under the situation the respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung has advanced a revolutionary strategy on forming a united front of the non-aligned countries and the rest of the world people who call for independence to oppose the dominating forces of all hues resolutely and smashing their divisive moves, undermining activities and scrambles for domination.

Strengthening unity and cooperation among the new-emerging countries is an important guarantee for thwarting the criminal moves of the imperialists to defeat these countries piecemeal and for winning the cause of anti-imperialism and independence. Only by helping and supporting each other in firm unity can these countries frustrate the aggression and subversive acts of the imperialists, consolidate their national independence and successfully solve the difficult and complex problems arising in the building of a new society.

As the great President Kim Il Sung said, because of the community of their past conditions and present struggles the peoples of the new-emerging countries have a sound basis for uniting as one.

The new-emerging countries should have closer state relations with each other, cooperate each other in the building of a new society and mutually support and take joint actions in their struggles against imperialism.

The close economic and technical cooperation among the new-emerging countries is a sure guarantee for their economic independence.

The developing countries have great potentialities for effective economic and technical cooperation. They are endowed with rich natural resources and have various techniques and experience in building a new society. These are favourable conditions for them to rapidly advance their economy, culture, science and technology without relying on big powers.

The new-emerging countries, confronted with temporary economic difficulties, must not be tempted by the "aid" of the foreign dominating forces which is like giving disease and then medicine nor should they be deceived by the schemes to play people against each other and split them.

For the new-emerging countries to defend their national interests and exercise complete sovereignty and equality in the international relations, they must closely unite and destroy the old international order and set up a new one based on independence.

The old international order is the product of the colonialist system. It was set up when imperialism could decide the fate of Asian, African and Latin-American peoples. Even after these peoples won independence, the imperialists have been hampering the independent national development in these continents and plundering their natural resources and fruits of labour, taking advantage of the old order remaining in the international political and economic fields.

The new-emerging countries are struggling for the equal right of all nations to settle the international issues, for a complete sovereignty over their natural resources and for a radical change in all aspects of the unreasonable international order. Their collective, joint struggle is smashing the old international order established by the imperialists, abolishing aggressive military and political treaties, and frustrating the arbitrary acts of the imperialists in the UN and other international organizations.

The positions of the imperialists and the formerly oppressed and exploited peoples have gradually been reversed in the international arena. The peoples of the new-emerging countries who have become masters of their own destiny and play a leading part in the arena of history, are tightening the windpipe of the imperialists. With the consolidation of the political sovereignty and self-supporting economy of the newly-independent countries, the imperialists will find themselves in an ever-worsening situation, and the old international order of domination and subjugation will finally be abolished.

Today independence represents the basic trend and aspiration of our times. This is clearly proved by the fact that even the peoples of the capitalist countries, to say nothing of the colonial and dependent countries and the new-emerging nations, are struggling for independence.

From their own experience and major international events, the peoples of capitalist countries know well that adherence to independence is the only way for a nation to safeguard its dignity and attain its prosperity. So they determinedly oppose the policy of following big powers pursued by their governments and ruling circles. Their righteous fight for independence is a link inseparable from the worldwide struggle for independence against imperialism.

Judging from the reality of Korea and the experience of the world progressive peoples in their struggles, we confidently say that the Juche idea is the invincible guiding idea guaranteeing a brilliant victory for the historic movement of progressive mankind advancing along the road of independence. For its accurate representation of the trend of our times and for its most correct answer to the desire and aspiration of the people for independence, the Juche idea now enjoys an unreserved support and sympathy from the progressive peoples of the world.

The peoples are calling for the Juche idea and history is dynamically heading for independence. This inspires us to a firmer determination to vigorously march along the road of sacred struggle for freedom and liberation of the peoples under the banner of anti-imperialism and independence.

In order to fulfil the noble mission entrusted by the times and peoples, we of the epoch of independence must first of all profoundly study and understand the great Juche idea.

Only when we deeply study the Juche idea and correctly grasp its original content and indestructible vitality, can we apply it creatively to the practical life. We should have a comprehensive and profound understanding of the Juche idea through intensive study of the principles of this idea.

Studying all aspects of the historical experience of the Korean revolution is a prerequisite for fully grasping the Juche idea.

The experience gained by the Korean people in transforming nature and society is really valuable; it has been accumulated through the application of the Juche idea to the creation of an example for the rest of the world to follow in the building of a new society under the wise leadership of the respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung. It vividly shows us the greatness and validity of the Juche idea and its invincible might.

Study of the Korean experience not only gives us a deeper theoretical understanding of the Juche idea, but also indicates the concrete ways expertly to put it into practice.

If we are to live up to our lofty mission to build a new society where the working people enjoy an independent and creative life, we ourselves must be well versed in the Juche idea and also explain and propagate widely the great idea.

The ardent desire of the people to learn the Juche idea is daily growing. We should more actively explain and disseminate the Juche idea, drawing on the success and experience already gained, to satisfy the unanimous desire of the people to learn the Juche idea.

It is important to properly apply what you have learned from the Juche idea to the revolutionary practice.

The ultimate purpose of studying the Juche idea is to transform nature and society and build a new society which humanity yearns for, in accordance with this great idea. The Juche idea itself was created not as a theory for theory's sake, but as a reflection of the urgent requirement of the revolutionary practice.

We will thoroughly put the Juche idea into revolutionary practice and achieve a shining victory in the struggle for national independence, democracy, and a new society.

Honourable delegates,

As everybody knows, Korea has been divided into the north and the south over 30 years because of the US imperialists' occupation of south Korea. Owing to the division, the Korean people have undergone immeasurable pains and sufferings.

As the great President Kim Il Sung declared, the question of Korea's reunification is a question of recovering the territory and population robbed by the foreign imperialists and establishing national sovereignty all over the country. This is the most urgent task that must be fulfilled to embody the Juche idea in Korea for the immediate period ahead.

Ever since the country's division, the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea has consistently followed the policy of reunifying the country independently, free from any outside interference and by peaceful means on a democratic principle. The DPRK Government's policy and all its proposals made to implement it are fair and reasonable. Therefore, they enjoy unreserved support and approval from the peoples of the world.

But the cause of Korea's reunification has not been realized due to the obstructionist moves of the US imperialists and their stooges and it is faced with grave difficulties.

Now they persist in their "two Koreas" policy. It has been cooked up by the internal and external separatists with the aim of keeping at least south Korea as a permanent colony of US imperialism, its strategic base, now that they can no longer ignore the powerful strength of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and its high international prestige.

Instigated by the US imperialists and Japanese reactionaries, the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique are making vicious efforts to create "two Koreas". At the same time, they are trampling upon democracy and human rights in south Korea, while brutally repressing the patriotic people desirous of the country's reunification, begging for the long-term stationing of the US forces there, and raising frantic clamours for another war.

Korea is one and the Korean people are also one. She must be reunified and should never be divided into "two Koreas". We resolutely reject and condemn the "two Koreas" plot hatched by the US imperialists and their henchmen.

We fully support and approve the three principles and five-point policy for national reunification proposed by the respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung. We express our support for the four-point proposal made by the joint conference of the political parties and social organizations of the DPRK in January 1977.

We resolutely oppose foreign interference in Korea and strongly demand that the "UN command" in south Korea be dissolved and that the US troops withdraw together with all their modern means of destruction from south Korea at once in accordance with the UN resolution.

We demand that Carter take measures to ship immediately all the US troops and nuclear weapons out of south Korea in accordance with his campaign pledges. We appeal to the peoples of the United States and the rest of the world to watch closely how Carter carries out his campaign pledges.

We demand that the Japanese government stop instigating the Pak Jung Hi clique to confrontation and partition, repeal the illegal "south Korea-Japan agreement on the continental shelf" and immediately put an end to its manoeuvres of reinvasion on south Korea. We appeal to the world's people to sharpen their vigilance against the scheme of the Japanese reactionaries to despatch their troops abroad, in time of emergency, to join the US forces stationed in Japan in their operation against Korea.

We scathingly condemn the outrages of the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique who are obliterating democracy and wantonly violating human rights, and strongly demand the immediate release of all the patriots and democrats arrested and imprisoned on false charges in south Korea. We demand that Carter should stop the military and all other "aid" and support to the south Korean puppet regime, true to his campaign pledges to oppose a regime suppressing human rights.

As in the past, so in the future, too, we will give all our support and encouragement to the sacred struggle of the Korean people to reunify their country by foiling the separatist moves of the US imperialists and their stooges and their schemes for another war.

The Korean people under the wise leadership of the respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung will surely reunify their fatherland in the near future, frustrating all the obstructive moves of the US imperialists and their henchmen, and build a more prosperous and flourishing paradise of Juche in their reunified country.

Honourable delegates,

Dear friends,

No force on earth can check the gallant march of the people awakened by the great truth of the Juche idea. Let us vigorously advance towards the bright future of mankind along the road of independence indicated by the Juche idea!

Long live the great Juche idea!

Speeches Made at International Seminar on Juche Idea

We Are Sure the ISJI Will Greatly Contribute to the Strength of the World Socialist and Revolutionary Movement

Salvu Sant, President of the Malta Labour Party

Comrade Chairman,
Comrades and Friends,

It is my great pleasure to extend to the participants of the International Seminar on the Juche Idea the greetings of the Maltese Labour Party, government and people. My delegation wishes this seminar great success for we are sure that your deliberations will greatly contribute to the strength of the world socialist and revolutionary movement.

We would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to the valiant Korean people, their vanguard organization, the Workers' Party of Korea and their respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung. The Maltese people stand solidly behind the friendly Korean people in their struggle for national independence and peaceful reunification of their country.

The Maltese people appreciated the fact that although the Korean people are faced with many problems, they have been the first to come to the support of the Maltese people at a time when our country is working hard in anticipation of complete freedom and independence in 1979. The help that the Korean government is giving, especially in fishing projects and in the setting up of small industries, greatly encourages our people to carry on with their work in the construction of the national economy.

True to the spirit of the non-aligned movement, of which we are proud members, our government is working for the freedom of the Mediterranean from foreign influences. The construction of a sound national economy is another way in which the Maltese socialist government is making sure that after the British military bases in 1979 are closed, they will not be replaced by the military presence of any other foreign country.

This, because our country in centuries past, like Korea, served as the battle ground for foreign powers. The new role we seek is that of a centre of cooperation for all peaceloving people of the Mediterranean region.

The progressive, anti-imperialist forces must unite their ranks in order to help each other to throw off the shackles of colonialism. For this reason my country has always backed the just cause of the Korean people in all international conferences and meetings, including the United Nations and the Non-Aligned Movement.

Thus, in our limited way, both our countries are helping each other in the path towards freedom and socialism. Let the relations between the Maltese and Korean people be an example for all the peaceloving people of the world.

Long live the friendship and cooperation between the Korean and Maltese people

Long live socialism and internationalism.

Juche Idea Arouses Great Sympathy from Peoples of New-Emerging Forces

Rondo Nc'o Ivasa, Member of CC of National United Workers' Party of Equatorial Guinea

Mr. Chairman!
Comrades!

In the name of His Excellency Masie Nguema Biyogo Negue Ndong, President of the Central Committee of the National United Workers' Party of Equatorial Guinea and Constitutional Life President of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea, I would like to express deep thanks to the Workers' Party of Korea and the great Korean people for their warm welcome and cordial hospitality accorded us.

We attended this majestic seminar held in a very revolutionary country in order to admire the great Juche idea founded by Comrade Kim Il Sung, one of the great revolutionary leaders of our century.

The colonial and imperialist system did harm to the countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America with hundreds of millions of population. This is well known to the peoples of these continents who were cruelly and inhumanly treated, oppressed and exploited. That is why the gallant peoples of these continents have turned out in the revolutionary struggle against colonialism and imperialism and for their dignity and national liberation.

The worth of a revolutionary people is gained at the sacrifice of their sons.

The revolution of a people signifies their genuine independence.

It emanates from the philosophical principle that man is the master of everything and the decisive factor in everything in the world, in other words, man should be freed from all forms of subjugation.

The peoples of the countries of new-emerging forces aspiring to independence, self-support and socialism express great sympathy with the immortal Juche idea fathered by the great leader President Kim Il Sung and seek their road in the Juche idea.

The new-emerging peoples are expressing great sympathy with the Juche idea because it reflects, first of all, most correctly the people's aspirations and hopes for independence.

The great leader of the Korean revolution President Kim Il Sung taught:

"Today the Juche idea is capturing great sympathy among many people of the world. I think this is primarily because this idea conforms with the aspirations of the world's people for independence."

At present many peoples on the globe want independence and are fighting against all forms of subjugation.

No nation tolerates its independence being encroached upon by others.

The world's people are demanding independence and many countries are moving along the road to independence. This is the main trend of our times that no force can check.

The Juche idea is an idea that fully conforms with the aspirations and hopes of the world's people for independence; it is a great idea that reflects the main trend of our times in which all the people are going towards independence.

That is why the peoples of new-emerging countries who, freed from centuries-old exploitation and subordination, are marching along the road to independence, are expressing the unreserved sympathy with the Juche idea.

Another reason why they are expressing great sympathy with the Juche idea is that it illumines the only correct road for the people in their struggle for independence.

President Kim Il Sung, the founder of the Juche idea, taught:

"In my opinion, the Juche idea is arousing great response among the third world people, also because it shows them the most correct way of struggle for the building of a new life."

In order to meet our aspiration and demand for independence we must tread the rugged and thorny path of revolution and therefore, we need a correct theory lighting the road of our struggle.

The revolutionary struggle in the countries of new-emerging forces is going on under social and historical conditions different from the period of bourgeois revolution. The revolutionary struggle in these countries has also different characteristics from that in European capitalist countries in the stage of development, tasks and in relations of class forces. The revolution in the countries of new-emerging forces is made where there exist many socialist countries on the globe, and in this revolution the task of national liberation is mingled with that of class liberation.

This situation makes it incumbent for the peoples of new-emerging forces to have a correct revolutionary theory illumining the way for the building of a new society and, at the same time, to maintain the Juche stand of applying revolutionary theories and experiences of foreign countries to fit in with the actual conditions of their own countries.

The Juche idea, an ideological and theoretical sum-total of the Korean revolution, is, above all, the guiding ideology of the Korean revolution.

The Juche idea is a great thought illuminating the road for the peoples of new-emerging forces in their struggle for an independent and creative life, because it represents the only guiding ideology of the Korean revolution and at the same time correctly reflects the requirements of the present age for independence.

President Kim Il Sung taught:

"If the countries of the third world are to consolidate their political independence and build a new society without exploitation and oppression, they should, first of all, completely smash the subversive activities of foreign imperialists and domestic reactionaries and complete the cause of national liberation. The achievement of political independence is but the

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Juche or Kimilsungism, the Beacon Of Our Times

Boubacar Camara, Dakar Municipal Councillor and Poet of Senegal

The Juche, or Kimilsungism, is the great guiding idea in the era of independence, the era of the anti-imperialist revolutionary struggle.

It is the affirmation, in the social domain, of a new era of the proletariat, of a new era of the working masses, of a new era of the peasant masses. In a word, it is the advent of the popular masses.

The Juche is a doctrine which shows, on the one hand, the ways and means of getting rid of all foreign domination, of all bourgeois domination, of all feudal domination and, on the other, of diseases, of hunger, and of ignorance while building a decent life.

The Juche is a universal doctrine which places nature entirely at the service of man, that is, at the service of the people, as a result of the collective, collegiate, methodical and persevering work based on the principle of relying only on oneself.

It has as its ultimate goal the enfranchisement, emancipation and well-being of man.

In effect, it shows the way to sweep away everything that goes against the dignity and integrity of man which constitute the beginning, the end and, accordingly, the foundation itself of this active philosophy.

The Juche is a realistic doctrine which does not rest content with abstract definitions and theories, but, instead, works out concrete programmes and plans and dictates the course of action to adopt and the methods to apply in order to ensure the blooming of human dignity and sovereignty, while denouncing the defects, vices or bad inclinations which can lead man astray or retard him on this way.

The Juche is a doctrine which abolishes the barriers of inequality existing between the class that have and do not produce and the class that produce and do not have, that is, between the bourgeoisie and the proletariat.

It is scientific doctrine indispensable to the dependent peoples, dominated or underdeveloped, for their integration and their entry into the community of free and happy peoples.

Oh, how fine and full of significance his slogan is! O how sublime it is to say, "Man, that is, the people, is the master of everything and decides everything."

Now, Mmes. and Messrs. seminarists, how can we help admiring, nay, revering the author of so fine a work, the author of such a good message addressed to the posterity? By this I mean Marshal Kim Il Sung, the leader respected and beloved by the valiant people of Korea whom he has modelled after his own image, and his popularity and good reputation go beyond the borders of the Asian continent to embrace the entire globe as in the case of Marx and Lenin, as in the case of all the great men of mankind.

And since in Africa and particularly in Senegal we have the habit of singing the praises of the noble deeds of our national heroes, and much more of the benefactors or great thinkers of mankind of the calibre of Marshal Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved leader, I deem it my honourable duty to dedicate to him a poem which you will permit me, dear seminarists, to read on this occasion when you have met for such a noble aim:

Hymn to Marshal KIM IL SUNG, the Creator of the Immortal Juche Idea

You are the midday sun
Pouring down its glowing rays
On beings and plants to infuse
Vitality and warmth fresh.
You are the moon that banishes the darkness,
And caresses with its rays soft and sweet
The creatures and things down here
To give them colours and beauty.
You are the polar star in the sky
Dominating by its sparkling light
All the other stars that surround it.
You are the limpid spring in the field
Flowing forth to wet the plains and valleys,
Fertilizing, vitalizing, beautifying everything.
And quenching the thirst of animals and men.

O great thinker of universal calibre,
Patriot and combatant eminent,
Defender of the noble cause,
Homage, glory and salute to you.
If Europe can boast to the world
Of Marx and Lenin for their immortal ideas,
The Asian continent can boast, in its turn,
Of its honourable son that you are,
O noble inventor of the Juche eternal.

You have fought against the imperialists,
You have fought against the feudalists.
You have fought against the diseases and hunger,
You have fought against idleness.
You have fought against laziness,
You have fought against inertia.
You have fought against illiteracy,
You have fought against underdevelopment.
O great builder, perspicacious and ingenious,
O great soldier with courage legendary,
O eminent philosopher with a noble mind,
You have given the Korean people dignity
You have turned indomitable Korea
Into a truly great power,
Ranking prominently among the countries
Developed and modern.
So, thanks to your talents and virtues legendary
Korea affords to the world
The example of a country where reign
Social justice and prosperity.
A country which is nice to live in.

Yes, you have turned it into an earthly paradise,
By sinking wells and building irrigation projects
Which turn the fields green everywhere
To bring about harvests abundant.

Industries small, medium and heavy
Have risen to become the best ones, modernly equipped.

Education is free at all levels,
Medical care is given gratuitous.
There is no unemployment,
While taxes are no more.
The people industrious are working everyday
In factories, in the fields and in offices,
With the joy of living a sound life,
Living a life honourable and radiant.

Indeed, Korea lives in security internal
Thanks to the moral purity that you embody in yourself
And that you have passed on to them so generously,
While on the other side of the frontiers
She enjoys security external
Guaranteed by your great striking power.

All this is due to the application
Of the great revolutionary idea of Juche,
That will radiate from the zenith
To revolutionize the whole world.
Its brilliant rays beneficial
Will illuminate our planet all over
And will infuse into countries dependent or underdeveloped
A fresh blood and new ideas.
And thus will they surely achieve
Sovereignty national and international.

Your life which is woven with struggles all through
Is an example of courage and self-denial,
An example of fidelity and sacrifice,
An example of dignity and patriotism,
An example of virtues moral and spiritual,
That constitutes a legacy priceless
Offered to the rising generations,
Offered to the future generations of the whole world.

Attendants of the International Seminar on the Juche Idea

Foreign Guests Attending ISJI Visit Mangyongdae and Other Places

Party and government delegations of various countries, delegates of groups for the study of the Juche idea, representatives of international bodies and foreign social organizations, parliamentarians, prominent public figures and men of scientific, educational, cultural and press circles who came to our country to participate in the International Seminar on the Juche Idea in Pyongyang laid floral baskets before the statue of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung standing high on the Mansudae hill on the morning of September 13.

Foreign delegates to ISJI visit Mangyongdae, the cradle of the revolution

Comrade Chong Jun Gi and personages concerned joined them.

With unbounded regards and reverence for the respected and beloved leader President Kim Il Sung who made a brilliant contribution to the development of human thought and the revolutionary cause of the people by initiating the immortal Juche idea, the guests placed baskets of flowers before his statue and sincerely wished him a long life in good health.

Then they saw large sculpture figures around the banners made of red-coloured marbles depicting the glorious revolutionary struggle of the Korean people waged under the wise guidance of the great leader.

Until the 13th, many foreign guests visited historic Mangyongdae where the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung was born and spent his childhood.

They went to the native house and the Museum of the Revolution at Mangyongdae, saw various historic sites, planted trees in the sacred land of revolution and had photograph taken in front of the native house.

After their inspection tour of Mangyongdae, the guests expressed deep admiration.

Dr. Shaker al Faham, Minister of Education of the Syrian Arab Republic and Chairman of the Organizing Committee of the International Seminar on the Juche Idea, had this to say:

The grandparents and parents of the great leader dedicated their all to the struggle for the liberation of the country and the freedom of the people and rendered great meritorious services to the homeland.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung was born in such a revolutionary family and grew up and fought to liberate the homeland from his early years.

The revolutionary history of the great leader greatly inspires us in our struggle to build a new society

Dario Ghisletta, Acting General Secretary of the Swiss Independent Socialist Party, who is its delegate, remarked:

Mangyongdae can be called a celebrated "work" of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung.

The epoch of the Juche idea dawned at Mangyongdae. People need to come here Mangyongdae.

Sami Kaaki, Vice-Head of the "Translation and Publication Committee of Comrade Kim Il Sung's Works" in Lebanon, said:

Mangyongdae is the heart of Korea and the place where the great sun rose.

The great sun shines not only over Korea but over Lebanon and the rest of the world.

The rays of this great sun represent the banner of revolution, the banner of struggle.

The guests inspected the Museum of Korean Revolution with deep emotion and called at the Central Industrial-Agricultural Exhibition, the Museum of Victorious Fatherland Liberation War, the Korean Central Museum of History, the Pyongyang September 15 Weekly Nursery, the Pyongyang Metro and other places.

Rondo Nc'o Ivasa, Member of CC of National United Workers Party of Equatorial Guinea

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first step towards the ultimate triumph of the national-liberation revolution. In order to complete the cause of national liberation, it is necessary to destroy the political and economic footholds of imperialist colonial rule, establish a progressive social system and build an independent national economy and national culture."

An important task facing the new-emerging nations on their way to independence, sovereignty and progress, is first to sweep the political footholds of foreign aggressive forces of imperialism and domestic reactionary forces.

The great leader President Kim Il Sung has taught the correct ways for consolidating state power in the new-emerging nations.

Only when the newly independent peoples thoroughly smash the residues of the colonial ruling machinery and clear their power organs of the imperialists, pro-imperialist elements and other reactionary forces, can they strengthen the political foundations of an independent power and succeed in repressing the resistance by the counter-revolutionary forces.

Whether they maintain independence or not, whether they confidently march along the road to national prosperity and progress or not, depends entirely on their efforts to strengthen and develop their state power into an independent power.

Another important task confronting the new-emerging nations is to eliminate the economic basis of the imperialists and local reactionary forces through the introduction of democratic socio-economic reforms.

Our two peoples, though far off from each other geographically, have been united on the basis of true friendship, have suffered the same agony under the colonial and imperialist system, and experienced and understood the enemy's unjust acts and atrocities against the colonial peoples.

The Central Committee of the National United Workers' Party led by the great, dear leader His Excellency Masie Nguema Biyogo Negue Ndong stressed on many occasions that the Korean people should solve their problems without foreign interference, and our Party fully supports Korea's reunification.

The reunification of Korea is in accord with the interests of the Korean people; its division is of no help to them but, rather, helps the imperialist provokers who have created such a situation.

The Korean people are responsible for driving out the US imperialist oppressive forces manoeuvring against them in south Korea. The system of enslaving another people who differ in racial origin, customs, habits and psychology is now being denounced on a world-wide scale. The imperialist force should, therefore, drop their wild designs and let the Korean people solve the problem of national reunification by themselves.

The progressive, revolutionary people of Equatorial Guinea admire the achievements made by the Korean people in rebuilding the nation under the leadership of the great leader His Excellency President Kim Il Sung after driving the Japanese colonialist and imperialist forces out of their territory.

Your cause is not only the pride of the Korean people themselves but also the pride of the world's people aspiring after progress and freedom.

Ours is a free country, and we act free in view of the International Declaration of Human Rights guaranteed by the UN Charter to all mankind.

Nevertheless, the Spanish government has continued with its plot to kill His Excellency Masie Nguema Biyogo Negue Ndong, the dear, great leader of our people, and undermine our peaceful revolution with the aim of imposing colonialism upon our people for ever and rigging up a puppet government submissive to instructions from Madrid.

In order to counter the continued Spanish manoeuvres against our peaceful people and His Excellency Masie Nguema Biyogo Negue Ndong, our great revolutionary leader, we would like to bring the fact, through this rostrum, to the knowledge of the freedom-loving people represented at this Seminar and to demand the Spanish government to leave us alone and desist from the vicious manoeuvres against our peaceful people.

We are bound in duty to choose our own way without the interference and influence of any other nation. We always declare that we do not hate everyone in our revolutionary activities for consolidation of our independence but oppose the imperialist plot to rule and subordinate other peoples in other continents.

We do not agree to the theory of the imperialists and are fighting against it.

We know that society develops not only through the growth of material wealth but also through remoulding people themselves into the most independent, powerful men.

The great Juche idea of President Kim Il Sung is admired and praised for it embodies the revolutionary view-point of the masses of the people.

I hope that the current Seminar will score due success and conduce to the struggle to put into practice the fundamental principles of President Kim Il Sung's Juche idea.

Long live President Kim Il Sung, the author of the Juche idea!

Meeting of Organizing Committee of International Seminar on Juche Idea Held

A meeting of the Organizing Committee of the International Seminar on the Juche Idea was held in Pyongyang on September 12 and 13.

The meeting was attended by Chairman of the Organizing Committee of the International Seminar on the Juche idea Dr. Shaker al Faham, Minister of Education of the Syrian Arab Republic; Vice-Chairman of the Organizing Committee Comrade Chong Jun Gi, Vice-Premier of the Administration Council of the DPRK, Kuriki Yasunobu, Professor of Senshu University in Japan, on behalf of Vice-Chairman of the Organizing Committee Dr. Yasui Kaoru, Chairman of the Japan-Korea Solidarity Committee of Social Scientists and Professor of Hosei University, and Vice-Chairman of the Organizing Committee Sossah Kounoutcho, General Director of the Scientific Research of Togo; and Members of the Organizing Committee Remi Christian Richard, Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Revolutionary Vanguard of Madagascar and Foreign Minister of the Democratic Republic of Madagascar, Jose Francisco Aguilar Bulgarelli, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Socialist Party of Costa Rica, and Genaro Carnero Checa, General Secretary of the Latin American Federation of Journalists.

At the meeting the attendants unanimously stressed that it was of great historic significance to hold the International Seminar on the Juche Idea in Pyongyang, capital of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea which is the motherland of Juche, in the memorable year when the 65th birthday of the great leader President Kim Il Sung was celebrated, in accordance with the declaration of the International Scientific Seminar on the Juche Idea which was held last year in Antananarivo, capital of the Democratic Republic of Madagascar.

At the meeting they noted with satisfaction that the preparations for the international seminar had been successfully wound up and discussed a number of problems concerning the proceeding of the International Seminar on the Juche Idea which would open on September 14.

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by Abdou Rahman Sallah, Chairman of the Gambian People's Progressive Party Youth Movement; Fernando Gamba Lopez, Chief of the "Group for the Study of the History of the Revolutionary Activities and the Works of Comrade Kim Il Sung" of Latin American Students studying in Europe; Victor Motapanyane, Chief of the "Group for the Study of the Works of Comrade Kim Il Sung" of the African Students studying in Europe; Mahoma Mwaungulu, Chairman of the "Group for the Study of the Works of Comrade Kim Il Sung" in Europe; Nicandro Pereira Barreto, Director of the Ministry of Justice of Guinea-Bissau, Member of the Party Committee of the Autonomous Sector of Bissau—responsible for Information and Propaganda, who is the government delegate of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau; Missam-Han, delegate of the National Union of Cameroonian Journalists and the Cameroonian Committee of Rural Development; the delegation of the Congolese Party of Labour headed by N'gassaki-Oya Norbert, First Councillor of the Department of External Relations of the Central Committee of the Congolese Party of Labour; the delegation of the Cyprus Socialist Party headed by Chrysanthos Savvides, its Special Secretary; the government delegation of the Federal Republic of Nigeria headed by A.O. Olusesi, Deputy Director of a Department of the Ministry of Information and Culture of the FRN; Ian Donald Borrie, National Vice-Chairman of the New Zealand-Democratic People's Republic of Korea Society; the delegation of the Denmark-DPRK Friendship Association headed by Arne Herlov Petersen, writer and journalist of Denmark; the delegation of the National Revolutionary Movement for Development and government of Rwanda headed by Sinamenye Ildephonse, its Executive Advisor; Albert Rodesch, Lawyer of Luxembourg; the delegation of the "Lebanese Group for Studying Kimilsungism" in Lebanon headed by Chawki Ajami, Chairman of the Central Committee of the "LGSK" in Lebanon; Sami Kaaki, Vice-Head of the "Translation and Publication Committee of Comrade Kim Il Sung's Works" in Lebanon; Joe Vella, Editor of "Malta News"; Bhugaloo Heeralall, Director of the Port Louis High School of Mauritius; Frances Beal, Chairman of the "US-Juche Study Group" and General Manager of the US newspaper "Guardian"; the delegation of the Party of National Unity and Progress of Burundi headed by Daniel Nyambariza, Member of the Political Bureau of its Central Committee and Professor of the Bujumbura University; the Party and government delegation of the People's Republic of Benin headed by Moussa Bajo Ali Traore, Ambassador of the PRB to the DPRK, who is Member of the Central Committee of the Party of the People's Revolution of Benin; Prof. Jose Rafael Nunez Tenorio, Director of the Philosophical Faculty of the Central University of Venezuela; Jorge E.Ruiz, Chairman of the Panamanian Journalists Union; Alberto Tauro, Professor of the Major National University of San Marcos-Lima, Peru; the government delegation of the Saharan Arab Democratic Republic headed by Ould Salek Mohumed Salem, Minister of Information of the SADR; Ouedraogo Mamadou Zongbe, Director of the Newspaper of the Republic of Upper Volta "Le Soleil de Haute-Volta"; Ouedraogo Ouindefassido Francois, General Treasurer of the Patriotic League for Development of the Republic of Upper Volta; the delegation of the South West Africa People's Organization headed by Mwahafa Ndilula, Member of the Central Committee of the Youth League of the SWAPO; Reginald Beuthner, cameraman for West German TV and his wife; the delegation of the Sudan Socialist Union headed by Dr. Omer El Amin, Member, and Secretary for Development, of its Central Committee; Dario Ghisletta, Acting General Secretary of the Swiss Independent Socialist Party who is its delegate; the delegation of the Swiss Progressive Organizations headed by Beat Schneider, Member of its Political Bureau; the delegation of the Left Party Communists of Sweden headed by Jan Erik Roos, Member of its Central Committee; Manso Nbompa-Turay, Member of the Central Committee of the All People's Congress of Sierra Leone and the National President of the Youth Council, who is the delegate of the All People's Congress; Daisy Bona-Allen, Managing Editor of the Sierra Leonean newspaper "Flash" and Assistant Secretary-General of the Association of Sierra Leonean Journalists; the government delegation of the Republic of Senegal headed by Fall Mamadou, First Councillor of the Senegalese Embassy in the People's Republic of China; Boubacar Camara, Dakar Municipal Councillor and poet of Senegal; the government delegation of the Republic of Seychelles headed by Jimmy Collet, Secretary of the General Union of Workers of Seychelles; Amin el Tahir el Shibli, Deputy Secretary-General of the Arab-Lawyers' Union who is the delegate of the Union; Fadiel Abeyed, Director General of the Press Organization of the Arab Gulf Information; Abdul Wahab Samman, Official report adviser of Ruler Sharpah and Director of Radio "Dubai" of the United Arab Emirates; S.B. Lungu, Assistant Secretary General of the Organization of the African Trade Union Unity; Zulficar Kobeissi, Arab writer and journalist; Paifllah Alhamoud, Director and Editor-in-Chief of the Jordanian weekly "Al Sahafi"; Giovanni Battista Bonelli, Deputy Procurator General of Milan, Italy; Giancarlo Elia Valori, Secretary-General of the Italian International Relations Institute; Vishwanath, Chief Editor of the Indian paper "Indian Times", and his wife; Adly Barsoum, Deputy Editor-in-Chief of the Egyptian newspaper "Al-Goumhouria"; the delegation of the Socialist Revolutionary Party of Ecuador headed by Manuel Agustin Aguirre, its Political Advisor; the delegation of the United National Front Political Organization of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen headed by Nagi Salem Brak, Member of its Central Committee; Ahmed Mohamed Haider, General Director of the Political Department of the Foreign Ministry of the Yemen Arab Republic, who is the government delegate of the YAR; Fred Chita Mule, business news editor of "Zambia Daily Mail"; the delegation of the National United Workers' Party of Equatorial Guinea headed by Rondo Nc'o Ivasa, Member of its Central Committee; Aganaye Adoum, delegate of the Government of the Republic of Chad who is Ambassador of the RC to the DPRK; Renato Araneda, leader of the Central Committee of the Chilean Left-wing Revolutionary Movement and Deputy Chief of the External Committee of its Central Committee, who is the delegate of the Chilean Left-wing Revolutionary Movement; Mohammad Aslam Nagi, Chairman of the Lahore, Pakistan, "Committee for the Study of Kimilsungism"; Abdul Malik, General Secretary of the Karachi Committee of the Afro-Asian People's Solidarity Organization of Pakistan; the delegation of the Palestine Liberation Organization headed by Aboammar Saad, Member of the Palestinian National Council; Alfred Eibel, Chief of the French "Group for the Study of the Works of President Kim Il Sung" and Editor of the "Alfred Eibel" Publishing House; the delegation of the Finnish Socialist Labour Party headed by Penti Walzer, Vice-Chairman of its Central Committee; the Tanzanian Party and government delegation headed by D.N. Mwakawago, Principal of the Party Ideological College of the Revolutionary Party of Tanzania; the delegation of the Korea Information Committee of Holland headed by Ad Van Hout, Secretary General of the Committee; Jaap Van Ginneken, Dutch journalist; the delegation of the Communist Party of Greece (Interior) headed by Voutsas Eheftherios, Member of its Central Committee; and George Pattas, Member of the International Relations Committee of the Panhellenic Socialist Movement (Pasok) and its delegate.

The Seminar was also attended by the DPRK delegation led by Comrade Hwang Jang Yop, Chairman of the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly, the Revolutionary Party for Reunification delegation led by Comrade O Su Il and the delegation of Korean scientists in Japan led by Pak Yong Gon, Dean of a faculty of Korean University.

Present at the Seminar as observers were the fifth delegation of Korean educational workers in Japan headed by Kim Su Jin, a section chief of the educational department of the Central Standing Committee of Chongryon (General Association of Korean Residents in Japan), the delegation of the Korean Democratic Lawyers Association in Japan headed by Kim Gyu Sung, its Chairman; and foreign guests staying in our country.

The faces of the attendants waiting for the opening of the Seminar were expressive of their unbounded respect and reverence for the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, who founded the immortal Juche idea.

At 9 a.m. amid the strains of the welcome music and prolonged thunderous applause the platform was taken by Dr. Shaker al Faham, Minister of Education of the Syrian Arab Republic, who is Chairman of the Organizing Committee of the ISJI; Vice-Chairmen of the ISJI Organizing Committee—Comrade Chong Jun Gi, Vice-Premier of the DPRK Administration Council, Dr. Yasui Kaoru, Professor of Hosei University, Japan, and Chairman of the Japan-Korea Solidarity Committee of Social Scientists, and Sossah Kounoutcho, General Director of the Scientific Research of Togo, and Members of the ISJI Organizing Committee—Remi Christian Richard, Member of the Political Bureau of the CC of the Revolutionary Vanguard of Madagascar and Foreign Minister of the Democratic Republic of Madagascar; Jose Francisco Aguilar Bulgarelli, Chairman of the CC of the Socialist Party of Costa Rica; Genaro Carnero Checa, General Secretary of the Latin America Federation of Journalists— and heads and deputy heads of delegations and delegates from various countries.

The platform was also mounted by Comrades Pak Sung Chul, Kang Ryang Uk, Kim Dong Gyu, Kim Yong Nam, Ho Dam and Kim Hwan; Hwang Jang Yop, head of the DPRK delegation; O Su Il, head of the RPR delegation; and Pak Yong Gon, head of the delegation of Korean scientists in Japan.

SAR Minister of Education Dr. Shaker al Faham, Chairman of the ISJI Organizing Committee, made an opening address.

When the International Seminar on the Juche Idea was declared open, the Patriotic Song of our country was solemnly played.

The morning sitting was presided over by RT government delegate Sossah Kounoutcho, Vice-Chairman of the ISJI Organizing Committee.

Comrade Pak Sung Chul, Premier of the Administration Council, made a congratulatory speech at the meeting.

Read out amid the thunderous applause of the attendants was the message sent by President Didier Ratsiraka of the Democratic Republic of Madagascar, Honorary Chairman of the Organizing Committee of the International Seminar on the Juche Idea, to the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, in congratulation of the Pyongyang Seminar.

President Didier Ratsiraka's message addressed to the ISJI Organizing Committee was also read out.

The message from Hafez al-Assad, Secretary-General of the Arab Baath Socialist Party and President of the Syrian Arab Republic, to the ISJI was read.

At the meeting Dr. Shaker al Faham, Chairman of the ISJI Organizing Committee and Minister of Education of the Syrian Arab Republic, delivered the report under the title, "The Juche Idea Is a Great Guiding Idea Leading the People of Our Times to Victory".

When the reporter declared that although we live in different continents and countries and work in different fields and conditions, we keenly feel the sameness of thought and faith and our hearts are throbbing with a high sense of honour and pride in striving to learn and apply the truth of the Juche idea authored by the great President Kim Il Sung and that availing himself of this significant opportunity, he would like to extend greatest honour and thanks to the respected and beloved President Kim Il Sung, the genius of mankind, who, by originating the immortal Juche idea, has made a world-historic contribution to the advancement of human thought and is encouraging revolutionary people to a fruitful struggle for an independent and creative life, all the attendants of the meeting rose and gave loud applause to express their boundless admiration for the great leader.

When he concluded his report with the words "Long live the great Juche idea!" another wave of applause and cheers of "manse!" swept across the meeting hall.

The afternoon session proceeded under the chairmanship of Remi Christian Richard, Member of the ISJI Organizing Committee and Head of the government delegation of the Democratic Republic of Madagascar.

Read out at the meeting were the congratulatory messages to the ISJI from Mohamed Siad Barre, General Secretary of the CC of the Somali Revolutionary Socialist Party and President of the Somali Democratic Republic; Pilipin Sisoko, Permanent Secretary of the Military Committee of National Liberation of Mali, Chairman of the Mali Peace Movement and Honorary Chairman of the Mali Committee for Supporting Independent Peaceful Reunification of Korea; Augusto Rodriguez Sanches, Chairman of the Peruvian "Centre for the Study of Comrade Kim Il Sung's Works", and Eleaszar Ramoso, its General Secretary.

Salvu Sant, President of the Malta Labour Party and head of its delegation, took the floor.

He was followed by Rondo Nc'o Ivasa, Member of the CC of the National United Workers' Party of Equatorial Guinea and head of its delegation.

When he wound up his speech with the shout, "Long live President Kim Il Sung, the founder of the Juche idea!" all the attendants stood up and gave thunderous applause and cheers of "manse".

Then, Boubacar Camara, Dakar Municipal Councillor and poet of Senegal, contributed to the discussion. When he read out in an excited tone "Hymn to Marshal Kim Il Sung, the Creator of the Immortal Juche Idea", all rose and accorded loud applause, overwhelmed with a feeling of reverence for the respected and beloved leader President Kim Il Sung.

When he got down from the rostrum, many delegates offered him their earnest congratulations, warmly shaking hands with him and hugging him.

The Seminar is to continue.

Guests of Many Countries Arrive in Pyongyang to Attend ISJI

The Japanese delegation for the study of the Juche idea headed by Dr. Yasui Kaoru, Professor of the International Law of Hosei University, Japan, and Chairman of the Japan-Korea Solidarity Committee of Social Scientists; the government delegation of the Republic of Senegal headed by Fall Mamadou, First Councillor of the Senegalese Embassy in the People's Republic of China; Fadiel Abeyed, Director General of the Press Organization of the Arab Gulf Information; Abdul Wahab Samman, official report adviser of Ruler Sharpah and Director of Radio "Dubai" of the United Arab Emirates; and Fred Chita Mule, business news editor of "Zambia Daily Mail" arrived here on September 13 by plane to attend the International Seminar on the Juche Idea.

National flags were waving over the airport. Seen there were the emblem symbolizing the International Seminar on the Juche Idea and slogans reading "Long live the Great Juche Idea!" and "Warm Welcome to the Delegates to the International Seminar on the Juche Idea!"

A large number of working people in Pyongyang turned out to the airport with bundles of bouquets in their hands.

The guests were greeted at the airport by a large number of working people in Pyongyang and personages concerned.

Lovely children presented bouquets carrying the feeling of friendship to the guests.

Delegation of the group for the study of the Juche idea in Japan

Government delegation of the Republic of Senegal

Director General of the Press Organization of the Arab Gulf Information

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